

# **Final Engagement**

## **Attack, Defense & Analysis of a Vulnerable Network**

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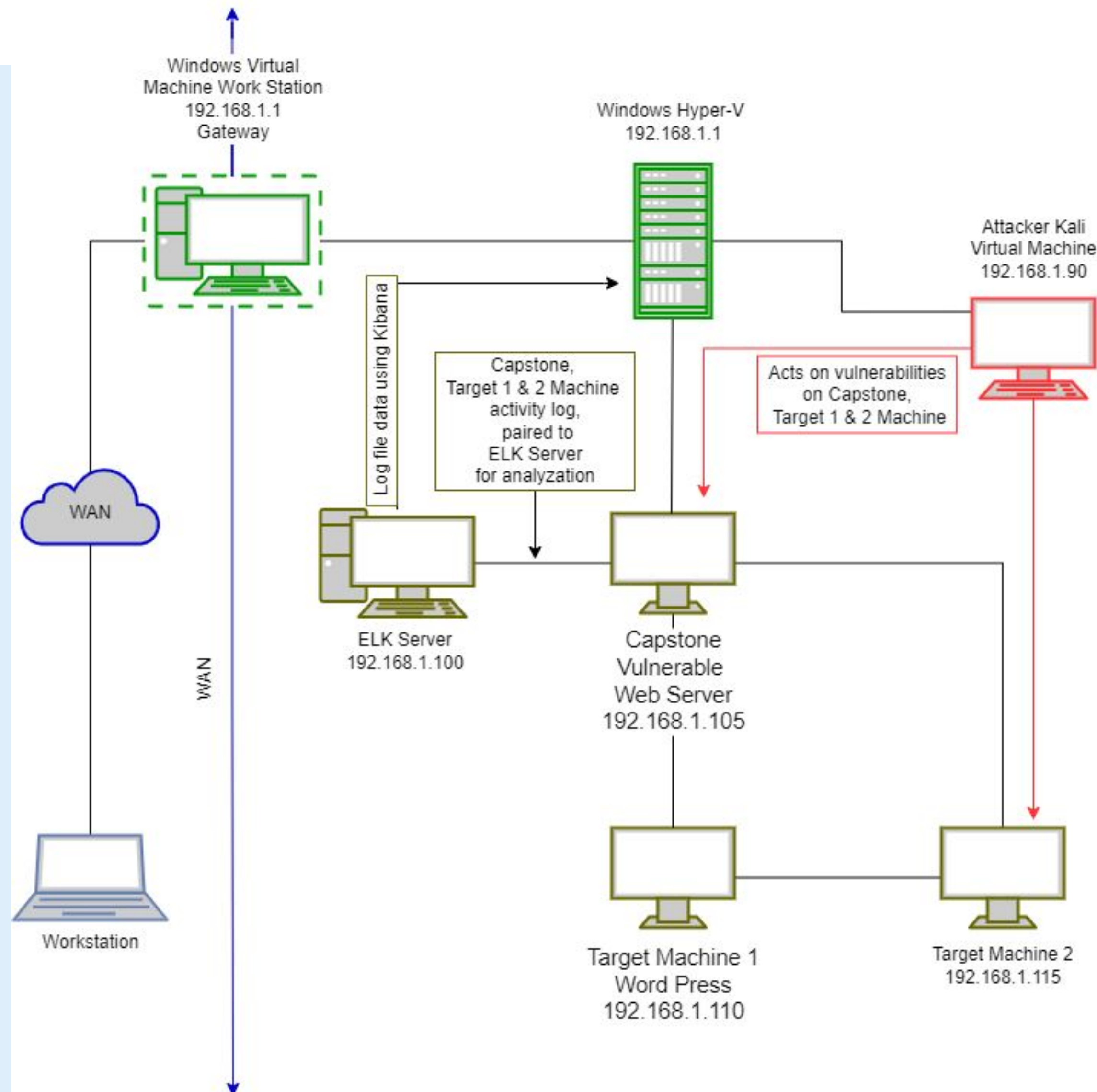
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# Network Topology & Critical Vulnerabilities

# Network Topology



## Network

Address Range:  
192.168.1.0/24  
Netmask: 255.255.255.0  
Gateway: 192.168.1.1

## Machines

IPv4: 192.168.1.90  
OS: Linux  
Hostname: Kali

IPv4: 192.168.1.105  
OS: Linux  
Hostname: Capstone

IPv4: 192.168.1.100  
OS: Linux  
Hostname: ELK

IPv4: 192.168.1.110  
OS: Linux  
Hostname: Target 1

# Critical Vulnerabilities: Target 1

| Vulnerability  | Description  | Impact  |
|----------------|--------------|---|
| CVE-2021-28041 | OpenSSH port | This can provide “unconstrained agent-socket access” or “the forwarding of an agent to an attacker-controlled host”<br>( <a href="#">CVE-2021-28041   SUSE</a> )                        |
| CVE-2017-8779  | Open rpcbind | This can provide attackers the ability to launch a remote DoS attack<br>( <a href="https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2017-8779">https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2017-8779</a> ) |

# Critical Vulnerabilities: Target 1 (Continued)

| Vulnerability | Description           | Impact   |
|---------------|-----------------------|--|
| CVE-2017-7494 | Open NetBIOS server   | This is vulnerable to remote code execution vulnerability, which allows an attacker to upload a shared library to a writable share, and then cause the server to load and execute it<br>( <a href="#">CVE-2017-7494   SUSE</a> ) |
| CVE-2019-6579 | Open Port 80 / Apache | This allows attackers the opportunity to execute system commands with administrative privileges<br>( <a href="https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/cve-2019-6579">https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/cve-2019-6579</a> )               |



# CVE Vulnerabilities Screenshot

```
root@Kali:~# nmap -A -sV 192.168.1.110
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-06-09 10:37 PDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.110
Host is up (0.00072s latency).
Not shown: 995 closed ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh          OpenSSH 6.7p1 Debian 5+deb8u4 (protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|   1024 26:81:c1:f3:5e:01:ef:93:49:3d:91:1e:ae:8b:3c:fc (DSA)
|   2048 31:58:01:19:4d:a2:80:a6:b9:0d:40:98:1c:97:aa:53 (RSA)
|   256 1f:77:31:19:de:b0:e1:6d:ca:77:07:76:84:d3:a9:a0 (ECDSA)
|_  256 0e:85:71:a8:a2:c3:08:69:9c:91:c0:3f:84:18:df:ae (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.4.10 ((Debian))
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.10 (Debian)
|_ http-title: Raven Security
111/tcp   open  rpcbind      2-4 (RPC #100000)
|_ rpcinfo:
|   program version    port/proto  service
|   100000   2,3,4      111/tcp     rpcbind
|   100000   2,3,4      111/udp     rpcbind
|   100000   3,4        111/tcp6    rpcbind
|   100000   3,4        111/udp6    rpcbind
|   100024   1          40263/udp   status
|   100024   1          46600/tcp6  status
|   100024   1          54736/udp6  status
|_  100024   1          58292/tcp   status
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 4.2.14-Debian (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
MAC Address: 00:15:5D:00:04:10 (Microsoft)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 3.X|4.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:3 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4
OS details: Linux 3.2 - 4.9
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: Host: TARGET1; OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

## 🚩 CVE-2021-28041 Detail

### Current Description

ssh-agent in OpenSSH before 8.5 has a double free that may be relevant in a few less-common scenarios, such as unconstrained agent-socket access on a legacy operating system, or the forwarding of an agent to an attacker-controlled host.

## 🚩 CVE-2017-8779 Detail

### Current Description

rpcbind through 0.2.4, LIBTIRPC through 1.0.1 and 1.0.2-rc through 1.0.2-rc3, and NTIRPC through 1.4.3 do not consider the maximum RPC data size during memory allocation for XDR strings, which allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (memory consumption with no subsequent free) via a crafted UDP packet to port 111, aka rpcbomb.

## 🚩 CVE-2017-7494 Detail

### Current Description

Samba since version 3.5.0 and before 4.6.4, 4.5.10 and 4.4.14 is vulnerable to remote code execution vulnerability, allowing a malicious client to upload a shared library to a writable share, and then cause the server to load and execute it.

## 🚩 CVE-2019-6579 Detail

### Current Description

A vulnerability has been identified in Spectrum Power 4 (with Web Office Portal). An attacker with network access to the web server on port 80/TCP or 443/TCP could execute system commands with administrative privileges. The security vulnerability could be exploited by an unauthenticated attacker with network access to the affected service. No user interaction is required to exploit this security vulnerability. Successful exploitation of the security vulnerability compromises confidentiality, integrity or availability of the targeted system. At the time of advisory publication no public exploitation of this security vulnerability was known.



# Exploits Used



# Exploitation: Open SSH Port - CVE-2021-28041

Summarize the following:

- Cracked Michael's password using John the Ripper. Password is `michael`
- Access Michael's computer remotely with `ssh michael@192.168.1.110`.

Navigated to `/var/www` and used `grep -RE flag* ./`

```
html/vendor/composer.lock: stability-flags : [],
html/service.html:      <!-- flag1{b9bbcb33e11b80be759c4e844862482d}
michael@target1:/var/www$
```

```
michael@192.168.1.110's password:
```

```
The programs included with the Debian GNU/Linux system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.
```

```
Debian GNU/Linux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent
permitted by applicable law.
```

```
You have new mail.
```

```
michael@target1:~$ cd /var/www
```

```
michael@target1:/var/www$ ls
```

```
flag2.txt  html
```

```
michael@target1:/var/www$ cat flag2.txt
```

```
flag2{fc3fd58dcdad9ab23faca6e9a36e581c}
```

```
michael@target1:/var/www$
```



# Exploitation: Open rpcbind - CVE-2017-8779

Summarize the following:

- Using `nmap -A -sV 192.168.1.110` to view OS, version, script scanning, and traceroute.
- Using `wpscan --url 192.168.1.110/wordpress -eu` to identify users.
- The exploit allowed for the allocation of resources without limits or throttling when using a brute force attack or a denial of service.

```
[i] User(s) Identified:

[+] michael
| Found By: Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Confirmed By: Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)

[+] steven
| Found By: Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Confirmed By: Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)
```

```
111/tcp open  rpcbind      2-4 (RPC #100000)
rpcinfo:
  program version  port/proto  service
  100000  2,3,4    111/tcp    rpcbind
  100000  2,3,4    111/udp    rpcbind
  100000  3,4      111/tcp6   rpcbind
  100000  3,4      111/udp6   rpcbind
  100024  1        42143/tcp  status
  100024  1        42391/udp6 status
  100024  1        49112/tcp6 status
  100024  1        58620/udp  status
```



# Exploitation: Open NetBIOS Server - CVE-2017-7494

Summarize the following:

- Using `nmap -A -sV 192.168.1.110 -p 139` to view all details relating to NetBIOS / Samba port 139.
- Using `nmap --script smb-vuln* -p 139 192.168.1.110` we can exploit a DDOS attack.

## CVE-2017-7494 Detail

### MODIFIED

This vulnerability has been modified since it was last analyzed by the NVD. It is awaiting reanalysis which may result in further changes to the information provided.

## Current Description

Samba since version 3.5.0 and before 4.6.4, 4.5.10 and 4.4.14 is vulnerable to remote code execution vulnerability, allowing a malicious client to upload a shared library to a writable share, and then cause the server to load and execute it.

```
root@Kali:~# nmap --script smb-vuln* -p 139 192.168.1.110
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-06-08 20:35 PDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.110
Host is up (0.00068s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
139/tcp    open  netbios-ssn
MAC Address: 00:15:5D:00:04:10 (Microsoft)

Host script results:
|_smb-vuln-ms10-054: false
|_smb-vuln-ms10-061: false
|_smb-vuln-regsvc-dos:
|   VULNERABLE:
|     Service regsvc in Microsoft Windows systems vulnerable to denial of service
|     State: VULNERABLE
|       The service regsvc in Microsoft Windows 2000 systems is vulnerable to denial of service caused by a null deference
|       pointer. This script will crash the service if it is vulnerable. This vulnerability was discovered by Ron Bowes
|       while working on smb-enum-sessions.
|_

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 6.02 seconds
root@Kali:~#
```



# Exploitation: Open Port 80 - CVE-2019-6579

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Summarize the following:

- Using the command injection in the url, you can access a command prompt.
- An attacker with network access to the web server on port 80/TCP or 443/TCP could execute system commands with administrative privileges.
- Include a screenshot or command output illustrating the exploit.

```
root@Kali:~# nmap -sV -p80 --script http-apache-server-status 192.168.1.110
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-06-08 21:02 PDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.110
Host is up (0.00074s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
80/tcp    open  http    Apache httpd 2.4.10 ((Debian))
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.10 (Debian)
MAC Address: 00:15:5D:00:04:10 (Microsoft)

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 6.59 seconds
root@Kali:~#
```



# Avoiding Detection

# Stealth Exploitation of Open SSH Port - CVE-2021-28041

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## Monitoring Overview

- Thresholds monitoring “HTTP Response Status Code” can detect this exploit.
- This alert would measure the Packetbeat metrics.
- The alert fires at the following threshold:
  - **WHEN count() GROUPED OVER top 5 'http.response.status\_code' IS ABOVE 400 FOR THE LAST 5 minutes**

## Mitigating Detection

- You could execute the same exploit without triggering the alert by launching a brute force attack under 400 counts for the last 5 minutes to prevent alert detection.



# Stealth Exploitation of Open SSH Port - CVE-2021-28041

## (Continued)

```
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.110 - login "michael" - pass "michael" - 2517 of 4619 [child 4] (0/5)
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.110 - login "michael" - pass "microsoft" - 2518 of 4619 [child 14] (0/5)
[22][ssh] host: 192.168.1.110 login: michael password: michael
[STATUS] attack finished for 192.168.1.110 (valid pair found)
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2022-06-09 12:11:07
root@Kali:~#
```

### Current status for 'Excessive HTTP Errors'

Execution history

Action statuses

Last one hour

| Trigger time              | State |
|---------------------------|-------|
| 2022-06-09T19:16:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:15:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:14:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:13:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:12:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:11:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:10:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:09:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:08:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |
| 2022-06-09T19:07:37+00:00 | ✓ OK  |

|              |               |   |
|--------------|---------------|---|
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | [System][auth][ssh] Failed user undefined from undefined  |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | [System][auth][ssh] Failed user undefined from undefined  |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | [System][auth][ssh] Failed user undefined from undefined  |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | [System][auth][ssh] Accepted user undefined from undefined  |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | pam_unix(sshd:session): session opened for user michael by (uid=0)                                      |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | pam_unix(sshd:session): session closed for user michael   |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | [System][auth][ssh] Failed user undefined from undefined  |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | Connection closed by 192.168.1.90 [preauth]   |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | PAM 1 more authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=192.168.1.90 user=michael |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | [System][auth][ssh] Failed user undefined from undefined  |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | Connection closed by 192.168.1.90 [preauth]   |
| 19:11:07.000 | system.auth   | PAM 1 more authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=192.168.1.90 user=michael |
| 19:11:07.000 | apache.access | [apache][access] 127.0.0.1 - "GET /server-status?auto= HTTP/1.1" 200 362                                |



# Stealth Exploitation of Open rpcbind - CVE-2017-8779

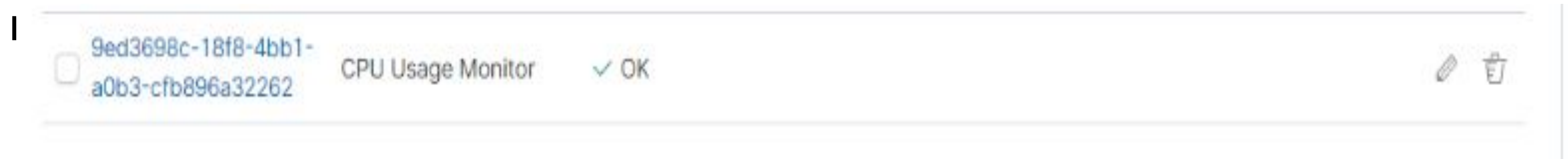
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## Monitoring Overview

- A CPU Usage Monitor alert would identify this.
- This alert measures the Metricbeat metric.
- The alert fires at the following threshold:
  - WHEN max() OF system.process.cpu.total.pct OVER all documents IS ABOVE 0.5 FOR THE LAST 5 minutes

## Mitigating Detection

- To execute the exploitation without triggering the alert, you need to consider the overall size of the DoS attack and ensure that it does not put the target machine's CPU usage and if it does, the attack does not last for more than 5





# Stealth Exploitation of Open NetBIOS Server - CVE-2017-7494

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## Monitoring Overview

- CPU Usage Monitor would monitor this vulnerability.
- This alert would measure the Metricbeat metrics.
- They fire at the threshold:
  - WHEN max() OF system.process.cpu.total.pct OVER all documents IS ABOVE 0.5 FOR THE LAST 5 minutes

## Mitigating Detection

- You can execute the exploit without triggering the alert by ensuring the upload is small enough to be easily looked over.

# Stealth Exploitation of Open Port 80 - CVE-2019-6579

## Monitoring Overview

- HTTP Request Size Monitor will detect this exploit.
- This alert measures the Packetbeat metric.
- They fire at the threshold:
  - WHEN sum() of http.request.bytes OVER all documents IS ABOVE 3500 FOR THE LAST 1 minute

## Mitigating Detection

- You can execute the exploit without triggering the alert by spreading out the attack over a longer period of time.

| <input type="checkbox"/> ID                                   | Name                      | State  | Last fired        | Last triggered    | Comment | Actions   |
|---|---------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7ada9e20-2454-4b76-8950-5bc37a398b89 | HTTP Request Size Monitor |  Firing | a few seconds ago | a few seconds ago |         |   |