

CSFCL IA2: Metasploit

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Introduction:

Metasploit stands as an open-source framework devised to enable penetration testers and security researchers in uncovering and exploiting vulnerabilities within computer systems and networks. Originally crafted by H.D. Moore in 2003, it served as a tool for both testing and refining exploits. Metasploit empowers users to assess the security of networks and applications while offering the capability to tailor custom payloads and exploit codes. Its architecture relies on modularity, granting users the flexibility to construct their own modules and plugins. Featuring an extensive library of pre-assembled modules, the framework facilitates the execution of attacks on susceptible systems. These modules are engineered to target specific vulnerabilities, allowing for personalized adjustments to meet user requirements. Accessible through a command-line interface, the Metasploit Framework enables users to interact with the system and initiate attacks. Additionally, it encompasses a graphical user interface (GUI) named Armitage, which furnishes a visual depiction of the network, streamlining navigation and the execution of attacks.

i. Functionalities Implemented:

- ii. Metasploit offers a suite of capabilities tailored for penetration testing, vulnerability assessment, and exploitation. Here are some key functionalities that have been implemented:
- iii. **Exploitation:** Metasploit is equipped to exploit vulnerabilities found within computer systems and networks. It boasts an extensive repository of pre-assembled exploits spanning various operating systems and applications.
- iv. **Payloads:** Within Metasploit, users have access to a diverse array of payloads designed to facilitate remote access to targeted systems. These payloads encompass options like establishing a reverse shell or initiating a meterpreter session.
- v. **Reconnaissance:** Metasploit aids in the collection of intelligence concerning a target system or network. This includes identifying open ports, deciphering active services, and discerning details about the operating system in use.
- vi. **Exploit Development:** Metasploit supports the development of exploits, empowering users to craft custom solutions tailored to specific vulnerabilities.
- vii. Metasploit includes tools for developing custom exploits and payloads.

i. Advantages of Metasploit:

- ii. **Open-source Nature:** Metasploit operates as an open-source platform, offering users the

freedom to utilize it without cost and adapt it to suit individual requirements or preferences.

- iii. **Comprehensive Capabilities:** With its wide array of functionalities tailored for penetration testing, vulnerability assessment, and exploitation, Metasploit emerges as a versatile tool, catering to the diverse needs of security professionals.
- iv. **User-Friendly Interface:** Metasploit boasts an intuitive interface that simplifies navigation and offers clear, step-by-step instructions for executing various attacks, ensuring accessibility even for those with limited experience in cybersecurity.
- v. **Vibrant Community Support:** The Metasploit community thrives with a significant number of engaged users and developers. This community actively contributes by offering assistance, regular updates, and the development of new modules, fostering a collaborative environment for learning and improvement.

- vi. Integration with other tools: Metasploit can be easily integrated with other tools such as Nmap and Wireshark to provide a more comprehensive approach to penetration testing.
- i. Disadvantages of Metasploit:
 - ii. Potential for Misuse: While Metasploit is a powerful tool for cybersecurity professionals, its capabilities can also be exploited by malicious actors. It's crucial to use Metasploit responsibly and only in authorized settings to prevent misuse.
 - iii. Detection by Antivirus: Some payloads and exploits generated by Metasploit may trigger alerts from antivirus software, diminishing their effectiveness in bypassing security measures.
 - iv. Limited Scope: Metasploit's effectiveness can be limited when dealing with complex or custom-built systems. It may not always be suitable for exploiting certain types of vulnerabilities, which could restrict its applicability in certain scenarios.
 - v. Skill and Knowledge Requirements: Utilizing Metasploit effectively demands a certain level of technical proficiency and understanding. Beginners may encounter challenges in mastering its functionalities and may require comprehensive training to navigate its complexities.

Implementation Screenshots:



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Command Prompt - msfconsole

3Kom SuperHack II Logon

User Name:      [ security ]
Password:       [          ]

[ OK ]

https://metasploit.com

=[ metasploit v6.3.9-dev-e02c80f10d9a5c88d43e6c07b2b85238d7cecf0 ]
+ -- --[ 2302 exploits - 1203 auxiliary - 412 post ]
+ -- --[ 965 payloads - 46 encoders - 11 nops ]
+ -- --[ 9 evasion ]

Metasploit tip: Use the analyze command to suggest
runnable modules for hosts
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/
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Command Prompt - msfconsole						
408	exploit/linux/misc/novell_edirectory_ncp_bof	2012-12-12	normal	Yes	Novell eDirectory 8 Buffer Overflow	
409	exploit/linux/misc/opennms_java_serialize	2015-11-06	normal	No	OpenNMS Java Object Unserialization Remote Code Execution	
410	exploit/linux/misc/qnap_transcode_server	2017-08-06	excellent	Yes	QNAP Transcode Server Command Execution	
411	exploit/linux/misc/quest_pmmasterd_bof	2017-04-09	normal	Yes	Quest Privilege Manager pmmasterd Buffer Overflow	
412	exploit/linux/misc/saltstack_salt_unauth_rce	2020-04-30	great	Yes	SaltStack Salt Master/Minion Unauthenticated RCE	
413	exploit/linux/misc/sercomm_exec	2013-12-31	great	Yes	SerComm Device Remote Code Execution	
414	exploit/linux/misc/tplink_archer_a7_c7_lan_rce	2020-03-25	excellent	Yes	TP-Link Archer A7/C7 Unauthenticated LAN Remote Code Execution	
415	exploit/linux/misc/usb9_bypassverid	2017-08-08	excellent	Yes	Unitrends UEB bypassverid authentication bypass RCE	
416	exploit/linux/misc/zabbix_server_exec	2009-09-10	excellent	Yes	Zabbix Server Arbitrary Command Execution	
417	exploit/linux/misc/zyxel_multiple_devices_zhttp_lan_rce	2022-02-01	good	Yes	Zyxel Unauthenticated LAN Remote Code Execution	
418	exploit/linux/mysql/mysql_yassl_getname	2010-01-25	good	No	MySQL yaSSL CertDecoder::GetName Buffer Overflow	
419	exploit/linux/mysql/mysql_yassl_hello	2008-01-04	good	No	MySQL yaSSL SSL Hello Message Buffer Overflow	
420	exploit/linux/pop3/cyrus_pop3d_popsubfolders	2006-05-21	normal	No	Cyrus IMAPD pop3d popsubfolders USER Buffer Overflow	
421	exploit/linux/postgres/postgres_payload	2007-06-05	excellent	Yes	PostgreSQL for Linux Payload Execution	
422	exploit/linux/pptp/poptop_negative_read	2003-04-09	great	Yes	Poptop Negative Read Overflow	
423	exploit/linux/proxy/squid_ntlm_authenticate	2004-06-08	great	No	Squid NTLM Authenticate Overflow	
424	exploit/linux/redis/redis_debian_sandbox_escape	2022-02-18	excellent	Yes	Redis Lua Sandbox Escape	
425	exploit/linux/redis/redis_replication_cmd_exec	2018-11-13	good	Yes	Redis Replication Code Execution	
426	exploit/linux/samba/chain_reply	2010-06-16	good	No	Samba chain_reply Memory Corruption (Linux x86)	
427	exploit/linux/samba/is_known_pipename	2017-03-24	excellent	Yes	Samba is_known_pipename() Arbitrary Module Load	
428	exploit/linux/samba/lsa_transnames_heap	2007-05-14	good	Yes	Samba lsa_io_trans_names Heap Overflow	
429	exploit/linux/samba/setinfo_policy_heap	2012-04-10	normal	Yes	Samba SetInformationPolicy AuditEventsInfo Heap Overflow	
430	exploit/linux/samba/trans2open	2003-04-07	great	No	Samba trans2open Overflow (Linux x86)	
431	exploit/linux/smtp/apache_james_exec	2015-10-01	normal	Yes	Apache James Server 2.3.2 Insecure User Creation Arbitrary File	
432	exploit/linux/smtp/exim4_dovecot_exec	2013-05-03	excellent	No	Exim and Dovecot Insecure Configuration Command Injection	
433	exploit/linux/smtp/exim_gethostbyname_bof	2015-01-27	great	Yes	Exim GHOST (glibc gethostbyname) Buffer Overflow	
434	exploit/linux/smtp/haraka	2017-01-26	excellent	Yes	Haraka SMTP Command Injection	
435	exploit/linux/snmp/awind_snmp_exec	2019-03-27	excellent	Yes	AwindInc SNMP Service Command Injection	
436	exploit/linux/snmp/net_snmpd_rw_access	2004-05-10	normal	No	Net-SNMPd Write Access SNMP-EXTEND-MIB arbitrary code execution	
437	exploit/linux/ssh/ceragon_fibeaip_known_privkey	2015-04-01	excellent	No	Ceragon FibeAir IP-10 SSH Private Key Exposure	
438	exploit/linux/ssh/cisco_ucs_scpsuser	2019-08-21	excellent	No	Cisco UCS Director default scpsuser password	
439	exploit/linux/ssh/exagrid_known_privkey	2016-04-07	excellent	No	ExaGrid Known SSH Key and Default Password	
440	exploit/linux/ssh/f5_bigip_known_privkey	2012-06-11	excellent	No	F5 BIG-IP SSH Private Key Exposure	
441	exploit/linux/ssh/ibm_drma3user	2020-04-21	excellent	No	IBM Data Risk Manager a3user Default Password	
442	exploit/linux/ssh/loadbalancerorg_enterprise_known_privkey	2014-03-17	excellent	No	Loadbalancer.org Enterprise VA SSH Private Key Exposure	
443	exploit/linux/ssh/mercurial_ssh_exec	2017-04-18	excellent	No	Mercurial Custom hg-ssh Wrapper Remote Code Exec	
444	exploit/linux/ssh/microfocus_obr_shrboadmin	2020-09-21	excellent	No	Micro Focus Operations Bridge Reporter shrboadmin default pass	
445	exploit/linux/ssh/quantum_dxi_known_privkey	2014-03-17	excellent	No	Quantum DXi V1000 SSH Private Key Exposure	
446	exploit/linux/ssh/quantum_vmpro_backdoor	2014-03-17	excellent	No	Quantum vmPRO Backdoor Command	
447	exploit/linux/ssh/solarwinds_lem_exec	2017-03-17	excellent	No	SolarWinds LEM Default SSH Password Remote Code Execution	
448	exploit/linux/ssh/symantec_smg_ssh	2012-08-27	excellent	No	Symantec Messaging Gateway 9.5 Default SSH Password Vulnerabil	
449	exploit/linux/ssh/vmware_vdp_known_privkey	2016-12-20	excellent	No	VMware VDP Known SSH Key	
450	exploit/linux/ssh/vyos_restricted_shell_privesc	2018-11-05	great	Yes	VyOS restricted-shell Escape and Privilege Escalation	
451	exploit/linux/telnet/netgear_telnetenable	2009-10-30	excellent	Yes	NETGEAR TelnetEnable	

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Command Prompt - msfconsole
msf6 > use exploit/windows/smb/ms09_050_smb2_negotiate_func_index
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(windows/smb/ms09_050_smb2_negotiate_func_index) >
msf6 exploit(windows/smb/ms09_050_smb2_negotiate_func_index) >
msf6 exploit(windows/smb/ms09_050_smb2_negotiate_func_index) > help

Core Commands
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Command      Description
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?            Help menu
banner       Display an awesome metasploit banner
cd           Change the current working directory
color        Toggle color
connect      Communicate with a host
debug        Display information useful for debugging
exit         Exit the console
features     Display the list of not yet released features that can be opted in to
get          Gets the value of a context-specific variable
getg         Gets the value of a global variable
grep         Grep the output of another command
help         Help menu
history      Show command history
load         Load a framework plugin
quit         Exit the console
repeat       Repeat a list of commands
route        Route traffic through a session
save         Saves the active datastores
sessions     Dump session listings and display information about sessions
set          Sets a context-specific variable to a value
setg         Sets a global variable to a value
sleep        Do nothing for the specified number of seconds
spool        Write console output into a file as well the screen
threads      View and manipulate background threads
tips         Show a list of useful productivity tips
unload       Unload a framework plugin
unset        Unsets one or more context-specific variables
unsetg       Unsets one or more global variables
version      Show the framework and console library version numbers

Module Commands
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Command      Description
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advanced     Displays advanced options for one or more modules
back         Move back from the current context

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msf6 exploit(windows/smb/ms09_050_smb2_negotiate_func_index) > show targets
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Exploit targets:

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Id	Name
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=> 0	Windows Vista SP1/SP2 and Server 2008 (x86)

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msf6 exploit(windows/smb/ms09_050_smb2_negotiate_func_index) > show payloads
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Compatible Payloads

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#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check	Description
-	----	-----	----	-----	-----
0	payload/generic/custom		normal	No	Custom Payload
1	payload/generic/debug_trap		normal	No	Generic x86 Debug Trap
2	payload/generic/shell_bind_tcp		normal	No	Generic Command Shell, Bind TCP Inline
3	payload/generic/shell_reverse_tcp		normal	No	Generic Command Shell, Reverse TCP Inline
4	payload/generic/ssh/interact		normal	No	Interact with Established SSH Connection
5	payload/generic/tight_loop		normal	No	Generic x86 Tight Loop
6	payload/windows/adduser		normal	No	Windows Execute net user /ADD
7	payload/windows/custom/bind_hidden_ipknock_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Hidden Bind Ipknock TCP Stager
8	payload/windows/custom/bind_hidden_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Hidden Bind TCP Stager
9	payload/windows/custom/bind_ipv6_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Bind IPv6 TCP Stager (Windows x86)
10	payload/windows/custom/bind_ipv6_tcp_uuid		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Bind IPv6 TCP Stager with UUID Support (Windows x86)
11	payload/windows/custom/bind_named_pipe		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Windows x86 Bind Named Pipe Stager
12	payload/windows/custom/bind_nonx_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Bind TCP Stager (No NX or Win7)
13	payload/windows/custom/bind_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Bind TCP Stager (Windows x86)
14	payload/windows/custom/bind_tcp_rc4		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Bind TCP Stager (RC4 Stage Encryption, Metasm)
15	payload/windows/custom/bind_tcp_uuid		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Bind TCP Stager with UUID Support (Windows x86)
16	payload/windows/custom/reverse_hop_http		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse Hop HTTP/HTTPS Stager
17	payload/windows/custom/reverse_https		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Windows Reverse HTTP Stager (wininet)
18	payload/windows/custom/reverse_https_proxy_pstore		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse HTTP Stager Proxy
19	payload/windows/custom/reverse_https		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Windows Reverse HTTPS Stager (wininet)
20	payload/windows/custom/reverse_https_proxy		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse HTTPS Stager with Support for Custom Proxy
21	payload/windows/custom/reverse_ipv6_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager (IPv6)
22	payload/windows/custom/reverse_named_pipe		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Windows x86 Reverse Named Pipe (SMB) Stager
23	payload/windows/custom/reverse_nonx_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager (No NX or Win7)
24	payload/windows/custom/reverse_ord_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse Ordinal TCP Stager (No NX or Win7)
25	payload/windows/custom/reverse_tcp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager
26	payload/windows/custom/reverse_tcp_allports		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse All-Port TCP Stager
27	payload/windows/custom/reverse_tcp_dns		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager (DNS)
28	payload/windows/custom/reverse_tcp_rc4		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager (RC4 Stage Encryption, Metasm)
29	payload/windows/custom/reverse_tcp_rc4_dns		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager (RC4 Stage Encryption DNS, Metasm)
30	payload/windows/custom/reverse_tcp_uuid		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse TCP Stager with UUID Support
31	payload/windows/custom/reverse_udp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Reverse UDP Stager with UUID Support
32	payload/windows/custom/reverse_winhttp		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Windows Reverse HTTP Stager (winhttp)
33	payload/windows/custom/reverse_winhttps		normal	No	Windows shellcode stage, Windows Reverse HTTPS Stager (winhttp)
34	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_hidden_ipknock_tcp		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Hidden Bind Ipknock TCP Stager
35	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_hidden_tcp		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Hidden Bind TCP Stager
36	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_ipv6_tcp		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Bind IPv6 TCP Stager (Windows x86)
37	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_ipv6_tcp_uuid		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Bind IPv6 TCP Stager with UUID Support (Windows x86)
38	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_named_pipe		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Windows x86 Bind Named Pipe Stager
39	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_nonx_tcp		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Bind TCP Stager (No NX or Win7)
40	payload/windows/dllinject/bind_tcp		normal	No	Reflective DLL Injection, Bind TCP Stager (Windows x86)

```
msf6 > use auxiliary/scanner/smb/smb_login
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msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_login) > show options
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Module options (auxiliary/scanner/smb/smb_login):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
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ABORT_ON_LOCKOUT	false	yes	Abort the run when an account lockout is detected
BLANK_PASSWORDS	false	no	Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED	5	yes	How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5
DB_ALL_CREDS	false	no	Try each user/password couple stored in the current database
DB_ALL_PASS	false	no	Add all passwords in the current database to the list
DB_ALL_USERS	false	no	Add all users in the current database to the list
DB_SKIP_EXISTING	none	no	Skip existing credentials stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user&realm)
DETECT_ANY_AUTH	false	no	Enable detection of systems accepting any authentication
DETECT_ANY_DOMAIN	false	no	Detect if domain is required for the specified user
PASS_FILE		no	File containing passwords, one per line
PRESERVE_DOMAINS	true	no	Respect a username that contains a domain name.
Proxies		no	A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RECORD_GUEST	false	no	Record guest-privileged random logins to the database
RHOSTS		yes	The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT	445	yes	The SMB service port (TCP)
SMBDomain	.	no	The Windows domain to use for authentication
SMBPass		no	The password for the specified username
SMBUser		no	The username to authenticate as
STOP_ON_SUCCESS	false	yes	Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS	1	yes	The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERPASS_FILE		no	File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS	false	no	Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE		no	File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE	true	yes	Whether to print output for all attempts

View the full module info with the `info`, or `info -d` command.

[illegible]

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msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_login) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.0/24
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.0/24
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_login) > set SMBUser victim
SMBUser => victim
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_login) > set SMBPass s3cr3t
SMBPass => s3cr3t
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_login) > set THREADS 50
THREADS => 50
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_login) > run
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[illegible]

Conclusion:

In conclusion, Metasploit emerges as a potent asset for both probing security vulnerabilities and fortifying system defenses. Its extensive arsenal of exploits and payloads enables thorough security testing and vulnerability identification. Nevertheless, its robust capabilities entail a responsibility to wield it ethically and conscientiously, given its potential for misuse. Effective utilization of Metasploit mandates a deep understanding of the target system and its vulnerabilities, alongside obtaining explicit permission from system owners before conducting tests or exploits. Failure to adhere to ethical guidelines can lead to legal repercussions and harm to both the tester and the targeted system. Despite the risks, Metasploit remains a cornerstone in cybersecurity, empowering professionals to preemptively address weaknesses and thwart potential threats. Its value lies in its ability to bolster defenses against malicious actors, underscoring the importance of responsible and ethical use at all times.