

PenTest Lab Exercise Ex0b0 – Pivot

Goal

Learn about pivots by connecting to an otherwise inaccessible web server on `devbox.artstailor.com`. Along the way, use a `chisel` socks proxy to `nmap` a host and forward a port.

Tasks

1. Log in to the `ndg` box and schedule an Ex0b0 lab.
2. Pentest lead, Hank Hacker, discussed access to the `artstailor.com` internal network with Art and Otto and they have made several changes to their systems.

To better secure the network, Otto modified the `admin` password on `innerrouter.artstailor.com`.

To help you gain effective access to their network (and save them time and money), they have added a local administrator account `pr0b3` with password `H4ckB4ckJ4ck` on `costumes.artstailor.com`. They have also enabled remote procedure call as well as file and printer sharing (via SMB) on that machine. They are also forwarding ports 135, 139, 445, and 3389 from `innerrouter` to `costumes` if the access originates from `kali.pr0b3.com`. This means you should now be able use `rdesktop` and `psexec` with `pr0b3`'s credentials against `innerrouter` to gain local administrative access to `costumes` from `kali`.

Hank has asked you to use `chisel` to `nmap` host `devbox.artstailor.com` to see what kind of machine it is (Windows or Linux) and if there might be a development version of the `artstailor.com` web site running there.

Compiled `chisel` executables for Linux and Windows can be found in directory `/home/kali/Chisel` on `kali`. Hank says you should disable host discovery on any `nmap` because `chisel`'s `SOCKS5` proxy does not tunnel ICMP packets. Make sure to `nmap` as few ports as you can that will most reliably tell you if this is a Windows or Linux host and use version detection to help narrow this down.

3. If you do find a web server on `devbox`, forward a local port on `kali` there and open that page with your web server. Report the apparent status of development of Art's web application.
4. Submit a report with an attack narrative answering Hank's questions and describing your activities in sufficient detail for a knowledgeable person such as your instructor or a TA to be able to understand and replicate your results.
5. And yes, a key is available, but you need to pay attention in order to find it.