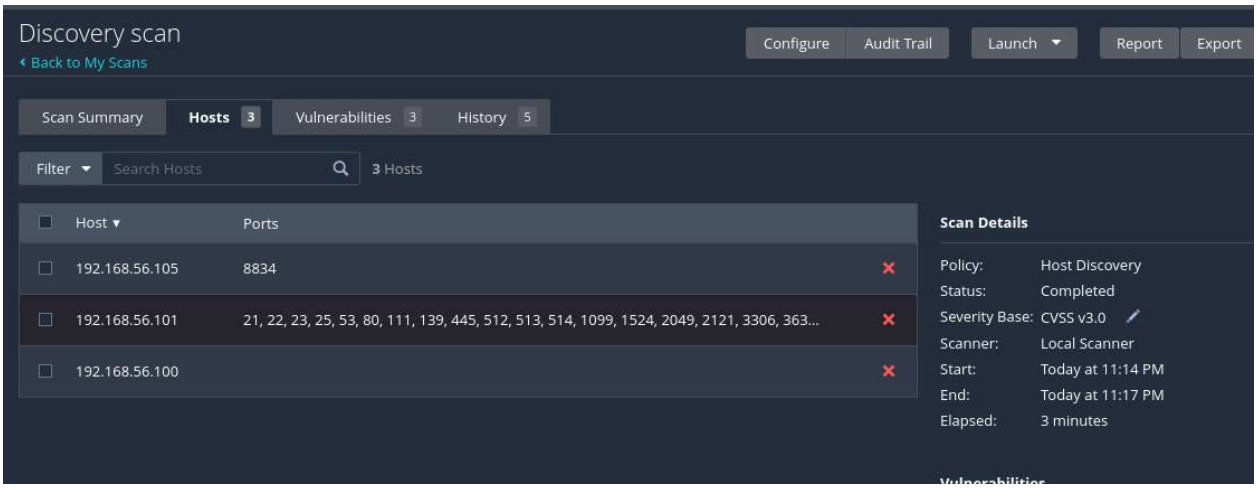
Final Exam

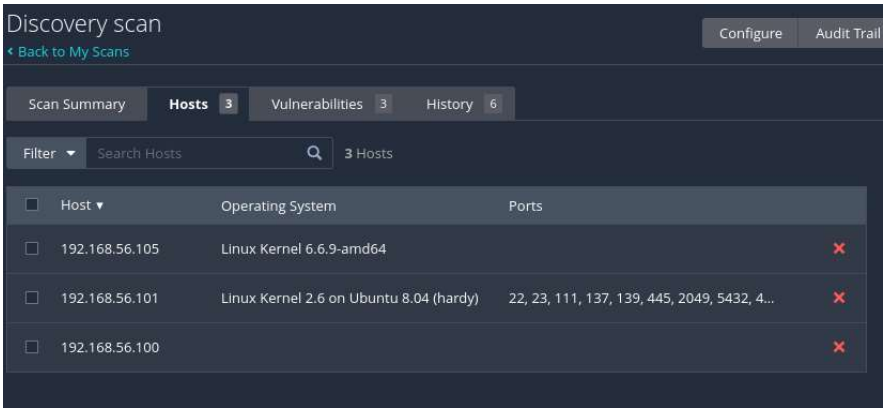
Discovering Host:

I have discovered the Metasploit system by running the Nessus for host discovery.

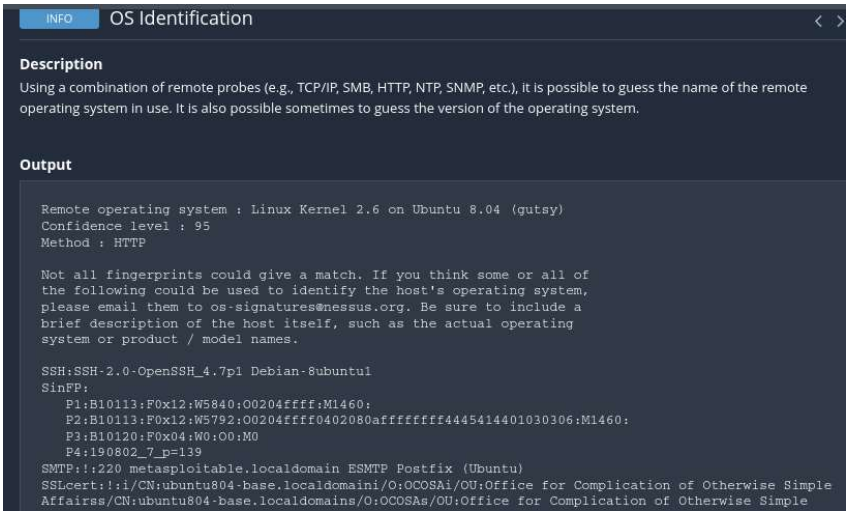


Os identification:

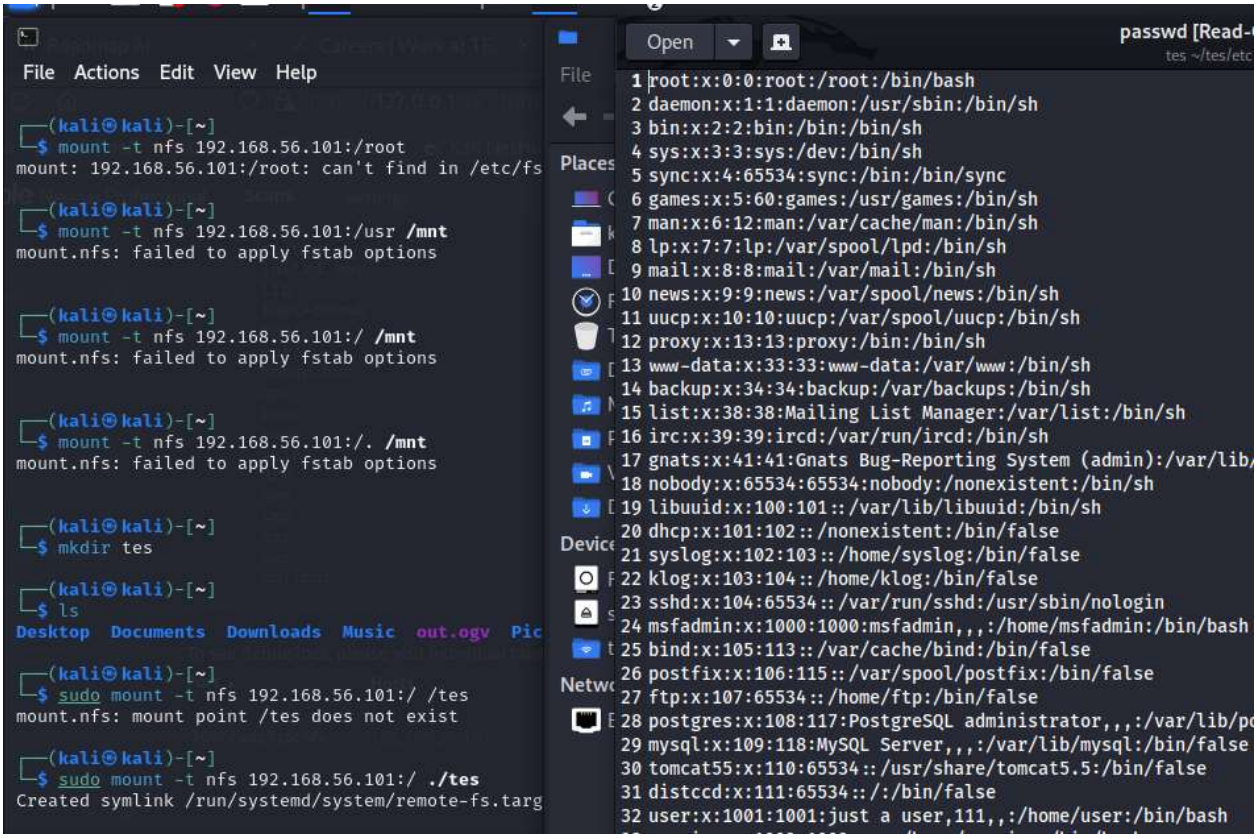
Next I tried using os identification for finding the the OS.



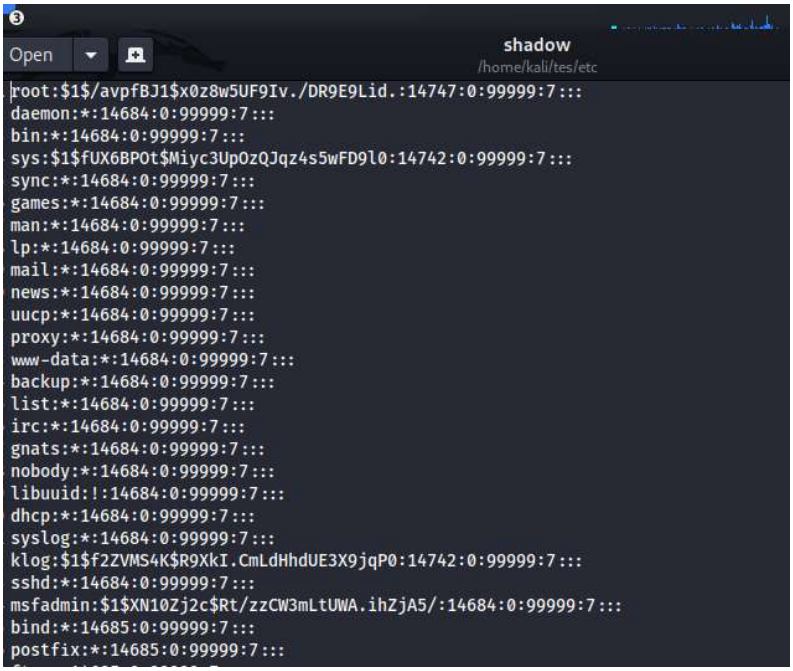
In the below screenshot, we can see it uses smtp uses metasploitable and came to conclusion from that it's a unix-based metasploitable box.



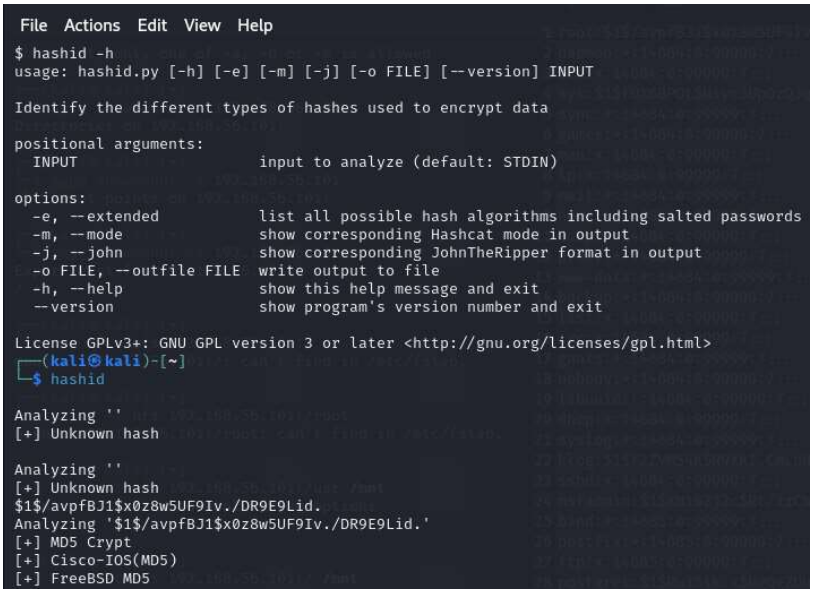
So, I tried running the Nessus Network scan for to find the list of vulnerabilities and the top 1 in the list is the nfs. Using the mount command I was successful to create a shortcut to the root directory with Tes local directory and was able to access all the files. As you can see the passwords file in the screenshot below is from the metasploitable.



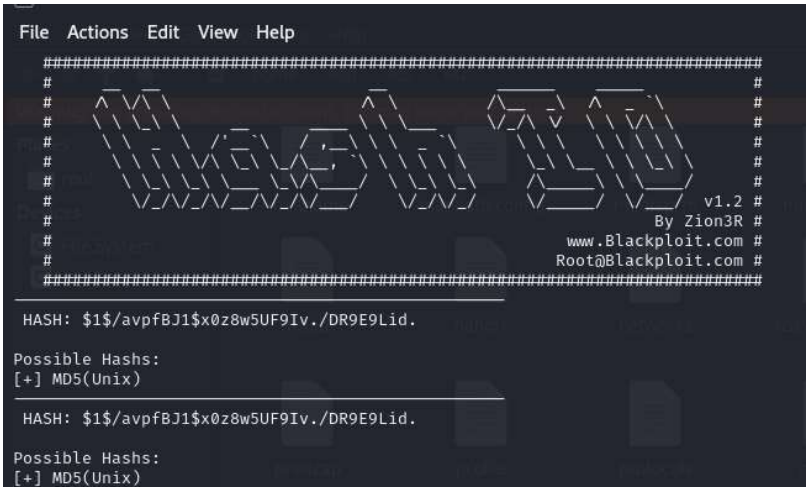
In the below screenshot, we can see the shadow file with password hased values and their salt's.



Using hashid program, I was able to find that it uses the MD5



Used one more program similar to above one to confirm the that. It’s a MD5 hash value.



Next, Using chatgpt I was able to understand what the hashed value refers first part is the hash value of the salt next followed by the hash of value of the password+ hash value. Next used, hashcat, which I presented by one of groups in the class to crack the password. But couldn't get it run as you can see in the below screenshot.

Found out that I need to pass the values in the files instead of passing them has values directly. But couldn't get it started due to low processor configuration of the VM. So, the processor got aborted as you can see in the below screenshot.

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┌──(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ hashcat -m 500 -a 3 ./hash.txt -o ./text.txt -w 3 ?a?a?a?a?a?a?a?a

hashcat (v6.2.6) starting

OpenCL API (OpenCL 3.0 PoCL 5.0+debian  Linux, None+Asserts, RELOC, SPIR, LLVM 16.0.6, SLEEF, DISTRO, POCL_DEBUG) - Platform #1 [The pocl project]
====================================================================================================================================
* Device #1: cpu-penryn-12th Gen Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-12700H, 709/1482 MB (256 MB allocatable), 2MCU

Minimum password length supported by kernel: 0
Maximum password length supported by kernel: 256

Hashes: 1 digests; 1 unique digests, 1 unique salts
Bitmaps: 16 bits, 65536 entries, 0x0000ffff mask, 262144 bytes, 5/13 rotates

Optimizers applied:
* Zero-Byte
* Single-Hash
* Single-Salt
* Brute-Force

ATTENTION! Pure (unoptimized) backend kernels selected.
Pure kernels can crack longer passwords, but drastically reduce performance.
If you want to switch to optimized kernels, append -O to your commandline.
See the above message to find out about the exact limits.

Watchdog: Temperature abort trigger set to 90c

* Device #1: Not enough allocatable device memory for this attack.

Started: Wed May  8 01:54:23 2024
Stopped: Wed May  8 01:54:40 2024
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After allocating the necessary memory and processor's restarted the vm and started the hashcat as shown below.

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Hardware.Mon.#1..: Util: 80%

[s]tatus [p]ause [b]ypass [c]heckpoint [f]inish [q]uit ⇒ s

Session..........: hashcat
Status...........: Running
Hash.Mode........: 500 (md5crypt, MD5 (Unix), Cisco-IOS $1$ (MD5))
Hash.Target......: $1$/avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.
Time.Started.....: Wed May  8 02:02:31 2024 (14 mins, 2 secs)
Time.Estimated...: Tue Jul  1 23:21:52 7298 (5274 years, 54 days)
Kernel.Feature...: Pure Kernel
Guess.Mask.......: ?a?a?a?a?a?a?a?a [8]
Guess.Queue......: 1/1 (100.00%)
Speed.#1.........:    39860 H/s (139.78ms) @ Accel:512 Loops:1000 Thr:1 Vec:4
Recovered........: 0/1 (0.00%) Digests (total), 0/1 (0.00%) Digests (new)
Progress.........: 33506304/6634204312890625 (0.00%)
Rejected.........: 0/33506304 (0.00%)
Restore.Point....: 346112/69833729609375 (0.00%)
Restore.Sub.#1...: Salt:0 Amplifier:94-95 Iteration:0-1000
Candidate.Engine.: Device Generator
Candidates.#1....:  As-tane →  jc@1999
Hardware.Mon.#1..: Util: 70%

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The system got over heated after running it for more than 30mins and it got shutdown. Above is the screenshot of it I ran it for around 14mins but couldn't get any result's due to usage of salt in the hash.

Next Tried using ftp exploit and was able to get the access using ftp expoilt but with port 21 and tried multiple random port but failed to get access.