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Exploit Configuration using Ansible(Ubuntu)

CVE-2019-14287- Sudo Privilege Escalation Vulnerability

Sudo Version:

Sudo version 1.8.27

Description: “A flaw was found in the way sudo implemented running commands with arbitrary user ID. If a sudoers entry is written to allow the attacker to run a command as any user except root, this flaw can be used by the attacker to bypass that restriction.”

Prerequisites:

1. Ansible must be installed on the machine.

Commands:

- a. `sudo apt-add-repository --yes --update ppa:ansible/ansible`
- b. `sudo apt install ansible`

2. SSH must be installed and enabled

Commands:

- a. `sudo apt update`
- b. `sudo apt install openssh-server`
- c. `sudo systemctl status ssh`
- d. `Sudo ufw allow ssh`

My Ansible Script:

- hosts: localhost

become: true

tasks:

- name: Download sudo repository

get_url:

url:

`https://github.com/sudo-project/sudo/releases/download/SUDO_1_8_27/sudo_1.8.27-1_ubuntu1604_amd64.deb`

dest: /tmp/

mode: 600

- name: Installing sudo

apt:

update_cache: yes

deb: /tmp/sudo_1.8.27-1_ubuntu1604_amd64.deb

force: yes

- name: Add the user 'admin' with a specific uid and a primary group of 'admin'

user:

name: admin

password: "{{ 'liverpool' | password_hash('sha512') }}"

Validate the sudoers file before saving

- lineinfile:

path: /etc/sudoers

state: present

insertafter: EOF

line: 'admin ALL = (ALL, !root) /bin/bash'

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validate: '/usr/sbin/visudo -cf %s'
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- name: "SSH service start"
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service:
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name: ssh
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state: started
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Target VM: Ubuntu

Usage:

Command:

ansible-playbook playbook.yml

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shyam@ubuntu:~/ansible$ ansible-playbook playbook.yml
[WARNING]: provided hosts list is empty, only localhost is available. Note that
the implicit localhost does not match 'all'

PLAY [localhost] *****

TASK [Gathering Facts] *****
ok: [localhost]

TASK [Download sudo repository] *****
changed: [localhost]

TASK [Installing sudo] *****
changed: [localhost]

TASK [Add the user 'admin' with a specific uid and a primary group of 'admin'] ***
changed: [localhost]

TASK [lineinfile] *****
changed: [localhost]

TASK [SSH service start] *****
ok: [localhost]

PLAY RECAP *****
localhost                : ok=6    changed=4    unreachable=0    failed=0    skipped=0    rescued=0    ignored=0

shyam@ubuntu:~/ansible$
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We can see that our ansible playbook executed successfully and our exploit is configured.