Threat intelligence week 2

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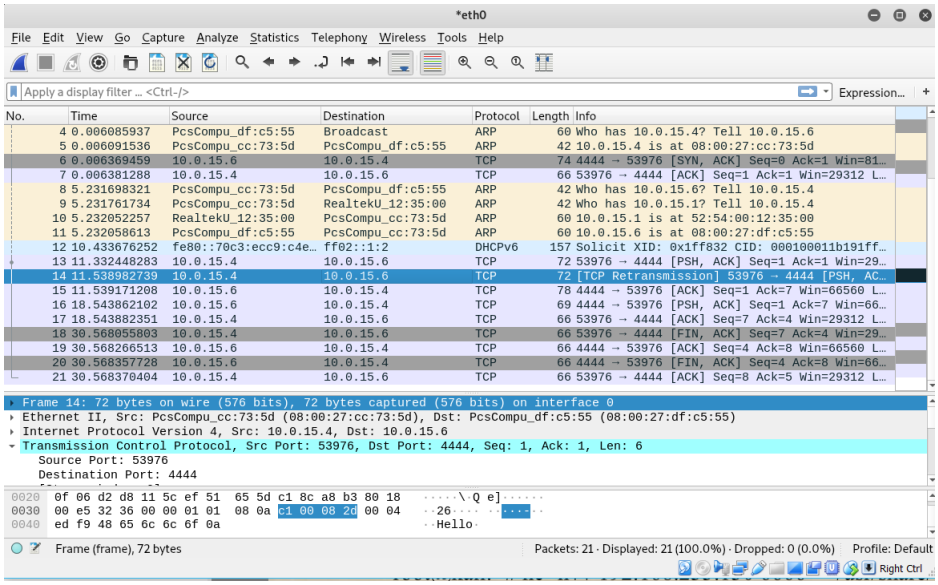
Wireshark shows an TCP handshake, after the handshake has been completed it shows the SSH protocol sending it's banner information towards the Windows computer that executed the netcat command.

1.2 Setting up a chat relay

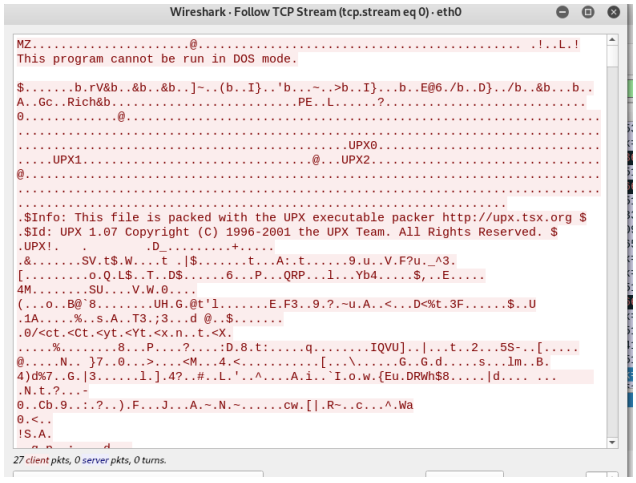
On windows the netcat will be listening to incoming connections on port 4444. After establishing the connection with netcat on the Kali linux machine it shows that a connection has been made from the ip address of the Kali linux machine (10.0.15.4) Then after typing Hello in the terminal and hitting the enter key the message showed up at the Windows machine. The same goes for when typing "hi" in the windows machine.

In Wireshark it first shows a handshake between the Kali and Windows machine. Then the Kali machine sends the Hello message which gets acknowledged by the Windows machine. The same scenario for the Hi message from the Windows message towards the kali machine.



1.3 File transfer using netcat

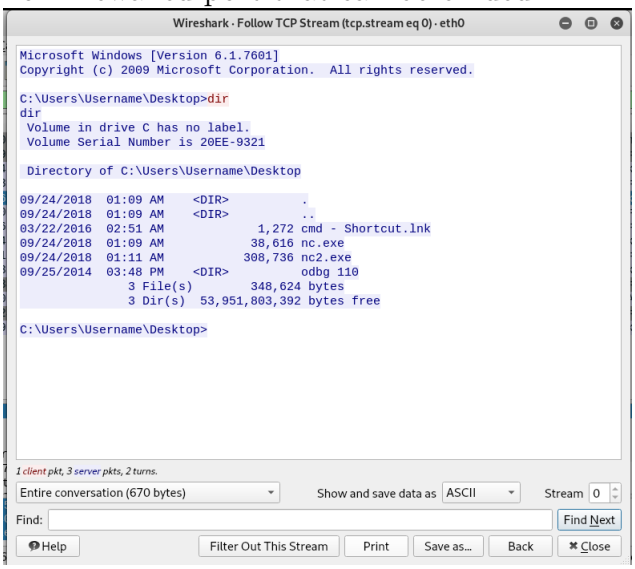
After launching netcat on the Kali machine a large amount of TCP packets appear in Wireshark. When following these packets in Wireshark it becomes clear that there has been a transfer of a Windows executable by the MZ keyword in the beginning. In windows it shows that a connection has established from the Kali IP address



1.4 Bind shell using netcat

In the Kali terminal a Windows CMD shell appears. It's possible to execute commands on the Windows machine. Wireshark shows the command and the text that is being transferred over the NC connection.

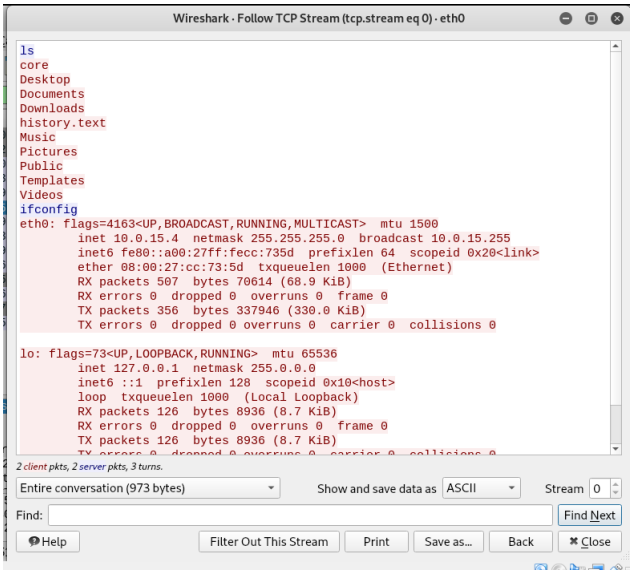
The pro about the bind shell is that the service is being hosted on the machine it self, no need to ping a c&c or have a server that can be taken down. The problem with it is that the machine needs to have a exposed / non firewalled port that can be binded.



1.5 Reverse shell using netcat

The command given in this part of the presentation seems off. I had to add -e /bin/bash to the command to get the reverse shell working.

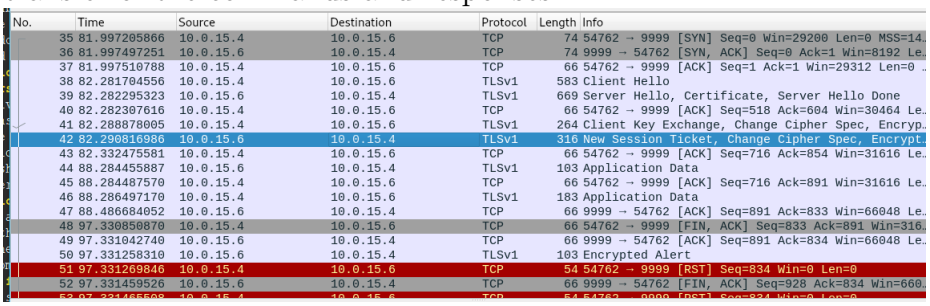
After the reverse connection was made to the listing Windows machine I could type ls to see a list of files and directories. In wireshark it shows that the Linux machine is connecting to the Windows machine to over the TCP protocol.



The pro about a reverse shell is that the machine could be behind a firewall and the attacker is still able to access that computer. A big con is that there should always be a server listening to see if any connections come in.

1.6 ncat for ssl encrypted shell

Using ncat it's possible to encrypt the shell using ssl. After setting up the connection between Kali linux towards windows it and typing "ls" in the CMD prompt it show the list of files and folders.
But now looking at Wireshark it shows TLS traffic instead of plain text transfer of the commands and responses.



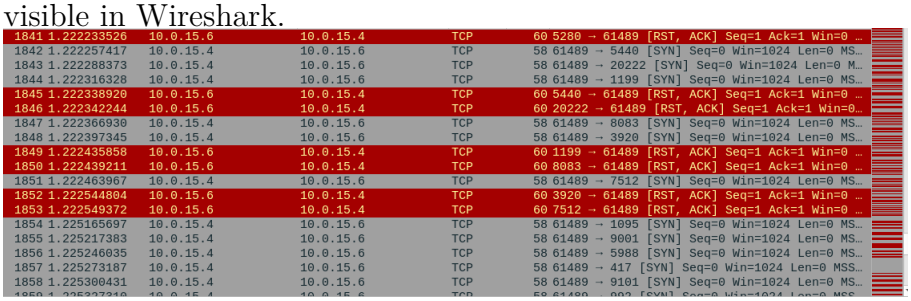
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
35	81.997205866	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	74	54762 → 9999 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=29200 Len=0 MSS=14…
36	81.997497251	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TCP	74	9999 → 54762 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=8192 Le…
37	81.997510788	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	66	54762 → 9999 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=29312 Len=0 …
38	82.281704556	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TLSv1	583	Client Hello
39	82.282295323	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TLSv1	669	Server Hello, Certificate, Server Hello Done
40	82.282307616	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	66	54762 → 9999 [ACK] Seq=518 Ack=604 Win=30464 Le…
41	82.288878005	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TLSv1	264	Client Key Exchange, Change Cipher Spec, Encryp…
42	82.290816986	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TLSv1	316	New Session Ticket, Change Cipher Spec, Encrypt…
43	82.332475581	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	66	54762 → 9999 [ACK] Seq=716 Ack=854 Win=31616 Le…
44	88.284455887	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TLSv1	103	Application Data
45	88.284487570	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	66	54762 → 9999 [ACK] Seq=716 Ack=891 Win=31616 Le…
46	88.286497170	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TLSv1	183	Application Data
47	88.486684052	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	66	9999 → 54762 [ACK] Seq=891 Ack=833 Win=66048 Le…
48	97.330850870	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	66	54762 → 9999 [FIN, ACK] Seq=833 Ack=891 Win=316…
49	97.331042740	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TCP	66	9999 → 54762 [ACK] Seq=891 Ack=834 Win=66048 Le…
50	97.331258310	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TLSv1	103	Encrypted Alert
51	97.331269846	10.0.15.4	10.0.15.6	TCP	54	54762 → 9999 [RST] Seq=834 Win=0 Len=0
52	97.331459526	10.0.15.6	10.0.15.4	TCP	66	9999 → 54762 [FIN, ACK] Seq=928 Ack=834 Win=660…

The pro's of using ncat is that it supports all the features of the older netcat and extended that with SSL support. A con is that it doesn't come by default on all *unix machines. So the binary has to be downloaded or locally compiled.

2. *Nmap assignment*

2.1 Nmap scan of Windows computer

It looks like a total of almost 100.000 bytes have been sent over the network. This would surly be noticed if all the 65556 ports will be scanned. The speed would still be quick if it would be a local network. Over the internet it could take a lot of time to complete the full scan. A lot of failed handshakes are visible in Wireshark.



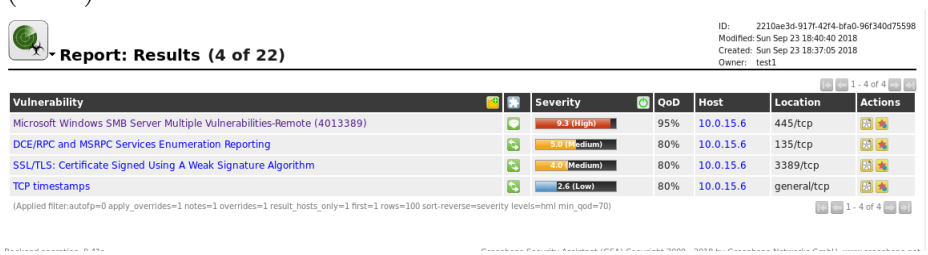
2.2 Network sweeping

The first scan uses an arp broadcast to get a list of active IP addresses in the network.
The second scan shows that nmap tries to establish a tcp connection on port 80 which gets refused because the port is closed.
Scans for the top 20 ports, can be seen in Wireshark. Again accessing the ports using tcp.
Version scanning generates a lot of traffic in Wireshark, you can see that different protocols are being tested on different ports. If it connects it tries to obtain information about the service.
OS finger print scan performs again a large port scan and then behaves a little funny to test what kind of operating system the scanned IP address could be using. I've read that this is possible by looking at the different time out between operating systems.

The result of performing all scans was a lot of traffic compared to all the other scans. Iptables told me that the scan was 221KB.This is huge compared to the 100.000 bytes in the beginning.

2.3 OpenVAS scan

The installation process of OpenVAS is easy on Kali linux. One high risk vulnerability has been detected by OpenVAS. This was in the SMB server of the Windows 7 installation. Multiple issues have been reported under several CVE's. In the worst case scenario this could lead to remote code execution (RCE)



Report: Results (4 of 22)

ID: 2210ae3d-917f-42f4-bfa0-96f340d75598
Modified: Sun Sep 23 18:40:40 2018
Created: Sun Sep 23 18:37:05 2018
Owner: test1

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Vulnerability	Severity	QoD	Host	Location	Actions
Microsoft Windows SMB Server Multiple Vulnerabilities-Remote (4013389)	9.3 (High)	95%	10.0.15.6	445/tcp	
DCE/RPC and MSRPC Services Enumeration Reporting	5.0 (Medium)	80%	10.0.15.6	135/tcp	
SSL/TLS: Certificate Signed Using A Weak Signature Algorithm	4.0 (Medium)	80%	10.0.15.6	3389/tcp	
TCP timestamps	2.6 (Low)	80%	10.0.15.6	general/tcp	

(Applied filter:autofp=0 apply_overrides=1 notes=1 overrides=1 result_hosts_only=1 first=1 rows=100 sort-reverse=severity levels=hml min_qod=70)

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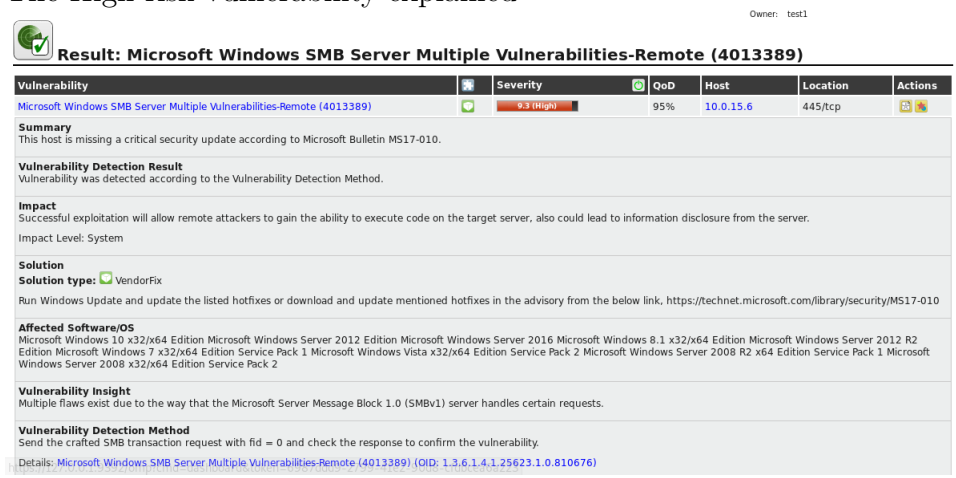
The High risk vulnerability explained



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Summary
This host is missing a critical security update according to Microsoft Bulletin MS17-010.

Vulnerability Detection Result
Vulnerability was detected according to the Vulnerability Detection Method.

Impact
Successful exploitation will allow remote attackers to gain the ability to execute code on the target server, also could lead to information disclosure from the server.

Impact Level: System

Solution
Solution type: VendorFix

Run Windows Update and update the listed hotfixes or download and update mentioned hotfixes in the advisory from the below link, https://technet.microsoft.com/library/security/MS17-010

Affected Software/OS
Microsoft Windows 10 x32/x64 Edition Microsoft Windows Server 2012 Edition Microsoft Windows Server 2016 Microsoft Windows 8.1 x32/x64 Edition Microsoft Windows Server 2012 R2 Edition Microsoft Windows 7 x32/x64 Edition Service Pack 1 Microsoft Windows Vista x32/x64 Edition Service Pack 2 Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 x64 Edition Service Pack 1 Microsoft Windows Server 2008 x32/x64 Edition Service Pack 2

Vulnerability Insight
Multiple flaws exist due to the way that the Microsoft Server Message Block 1.0 (SMBv1) server handles certain requests.

Vulnerability Detection Method
Send the crafted SMB transaction request with fid = 0 and check the response to confirm the vulnerability.

Details: Microsoft Windows SMB Server Multiple Vulnerabilities-Remote (4013389) (OID: 1.3.6.1.4.1.25623.1.0.810676)