
COMPUTER SUBJECT: NETWORK SECURITY

TYPE: GROUP WORK

IDENTIFICATION: Metasploit Investigation/MICL

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LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

DURATION: 1-2 hours - 1 month – 1 year

SIZE: 200 lines!!

OBJECTIVE: Various techniques for utilizing exploits

REQUIREMENTS:

COMMANDS:

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Prolog

You have successfully finalized the IT-Security course. You will like to investigate more!.

The Mission

You are to investigate and discuss different exploits to break network security.

Purpose

The purpose is understand the Metasploit achitecure, to find, investigate and apply various tools in Metasploit.

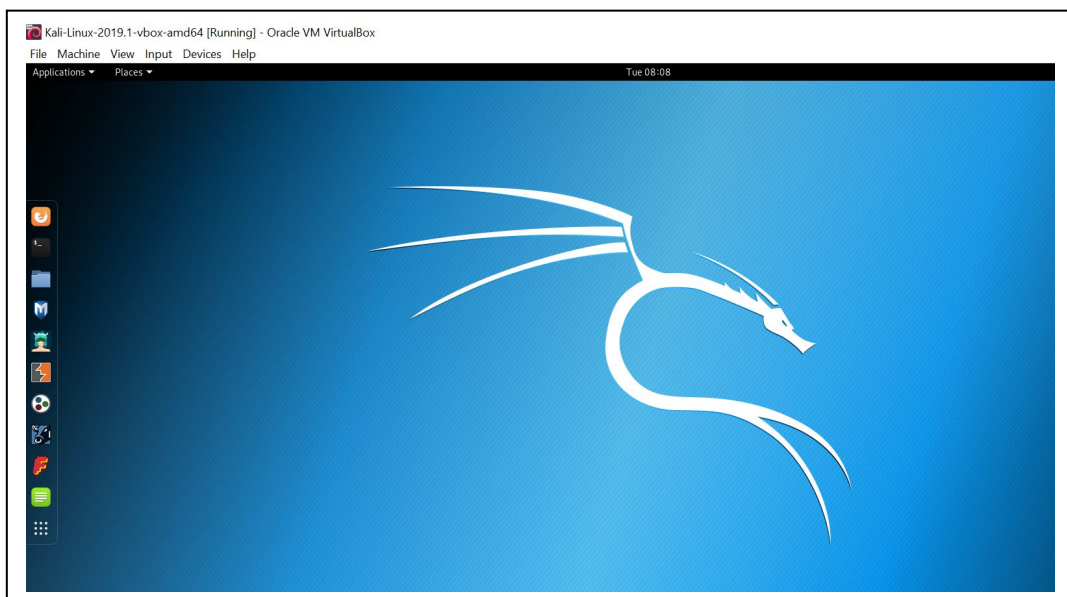
Useful links

<http://tools.kali.org/>

<https://tools.kali.org/exploitation-tools/metasploit-framework>

<https://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/>

Assignment1: Start Kali



Remember Kali is using US-keyboards, which is a little annoying so here is a translation table for special signs:

Name	DK key	Name	US sign
question mark	?	under score	_
minus	-	slash	/
half	½	tilde	~
plus	+	minus	-

Assignment 2: Overview of exploits

First, you should try to get insight in Metasploit by visiting the useful links above and answer:

- How is the architecture of Metasploit
- Look at some important commands like msfconsole, etc
- What is a payload?
- What is singles, stagters, stages?
- How are exploits utilized in Metasploit?

Assignment 3: Investigation of directories

Notice the terminal window, black square in the vertical icons-bar.

Start the *Terminal*

Use the following steps. (The text in red are the commands you will be typing)

```
service postgresql start  
msfconsole
```

And see if you can get started.

Then exit msf:

```
exit
```

Modules

Metasploit modules are in : /usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules

Exploits

Exploits is a module that will take advantage of a system vulnerability

It will install a payload on the system, a payload will be a reverse shell or a metapreter, which will give you access to the computer.

The payload is what the exploit will plant on the victim

Let us surf a little around using the *cd* and *ls* commands

Type the following in sequence:

```
cd ..  
ls
```

Notice the root and usr directories.

You are normally started in root-directory when Kali runs.

Now utilize *ls* or *cd* commands to explore further

```
cd /usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules  
ls  
cd exploits  
ls  
cd windows  
ls  
cd browser
```

and you should see something like this

```

root@kali:~# ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates Videos
root@kali:~# cd ..
root@kali:/# ls
bin      home      lib32     media    root     sys      vmlinuz
boot    initrd.img  lib64     mnt      run      tmp      vmlinuz.old
dev     initrd.img.old  libx32    opt      sbin     usr
etc     lib        lost+found  proc     srv      var
root@kali:/# cd /usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules# ls
auxiliary encoders evasion exploits nops payloads post
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules# cd exploits
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits# ls
aix      bsd      example.rb  hpux    mainframe  osx      unix
android  bsdi     firefox     irix    multi      qnx      windows
apple_ios  dialup  freebsd     linux   netware    solaris
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits# cd windows
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits/windows# ls
antivirus  dcerpc      games  license  motorola  oracle  smb  unicenter
arkeia     email       http   local    mssql    pop3    smtp  vnc
backdoor   emc         iis    lotus    mysql     postgres  ssh  vpn
backupexec fileformat  imap  lpd      nfs       proxy    ssl  winrm
brightstor firewall     isapi  misc     nntp      scada    telnet  wins
browser    ftp         ldap   mmsp     novell    sip      tftp
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits/windows# ce browser
bash: ce: command not found
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits/windows# cd browser
root@kali:/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits/windows/browser#

```

Finally

```
ls
```

gives a lot of exploits just for the browser. Notice the adobe....exploits.
Then step back to root-directory

```
cd ~/
```

Assignment 3: Investigation of commands

help

Use help command to find more about a command or two.

msfsearch

Use msfsearch to search for the right command to use.

use

The use command: will allow you to load a module
e.g: **use** exploit/windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2

show

After using **use** command we can apply other commands on the exploit
e.g the **show** command which will show information about this exploit

show options: will show options you can use with this exploit

show info: will give you full information about the exploit

show targets: will list the target machines if any and then we know who to attack

show payloads: list possible payloads A target is set by the RHOSTS command.

Which you will soon use in the following sections.

But first let us use the **use** and **show** commands

```
msf5> use exploit/windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2
msf5 exploit(windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2) >
msf5 exploit(windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2) > show
msf5 exploit(windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2) > show options
msf exploit(windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2) > show payloads
msf exploit(windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2) > show targets
msf exploit(windows/browser/adobe_flash_avm2) > show info
```

The full information is pretty good !

If you are tired, try exit to exit the msfconsole.

exit

You canm always start again start again by using msfconsole:

msfconsole

The following search command will give you a long list of exploits

```
msf > search type:exploit platform:windows flash
```

Now you can either type the exploit name after the **use** command or you can simply highlight the exploit name from the list you got in the terminal and copy the exploit and paste it after the **use** keyword. This will be done in the next exercise.

Assignment 4: Explore the Metasploit modules

Metasploit has 6 different types of modules:

Exploits, auxiliary, post, payloads, encoders and nops

Research and explain some more Metasploit Modules

Also, explore some other exploits in Metasploit.

Form a group of 2-4 members. Choose 2-3 modules and 2-3 exploits.

Investigate 40 minutes, prepare a 5-10 minutes' presentation nicely and then be ready to present the outcome for rest of the class.

It can still take hour to become a beginner, weeks to become experienced and months/years to become an expert 😊 But anyway

Congratulation, you are now at beginners level and ready to install Metasploitable and initiate attacks.