OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY CYSE 301 Cybersecurity Techniques and Operations

Extra Credit: Persistent Access

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1. Setup:

- a. Ensure that all three machines are set up and connected within the same network.
- b. Verify that necessary tools like Metasploit and any required payloads are available on Internal Kali.

2. Initial Access:

- a. From Internal Kali, launch the exploit targeting vulnerabilities in the Windows 7 machine.
- b. Gain a reverse shell connection to the target Windows 7 machine.

3. Payload Upload:

- a. Once the reverse shell connection is established, proceed to upload the payload onto the Windows 7 system.
- b. Craft the payload to establish a covert connection with External Kali upon the next login attempt by the user.

4. Scheduling Tasks:

- a. Utilize the Windows Task Scheduler to create a scheduled task on the compromised system.
- b. Configure the task to execute the uploaded payload upon user login. ensuring persistent access to the system for future interactions.

5. Testing:

- a. Restart the Windows 7 machine to simulate a logout/login event.
- b. Verify that the scheduled task successfully executes the payload and establishes a connection with External Kali

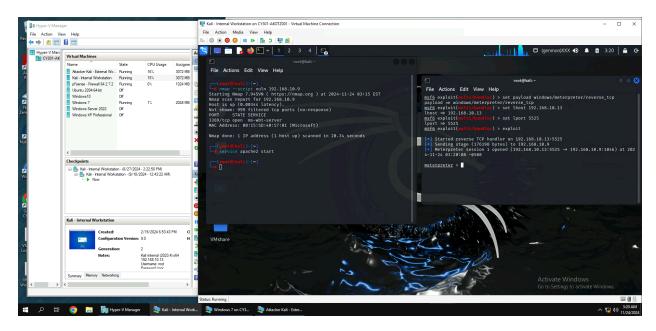


Figure 1

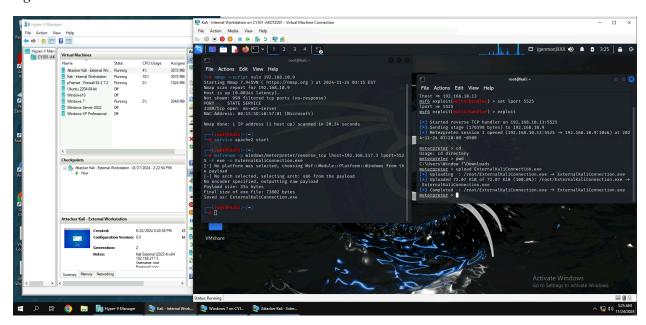


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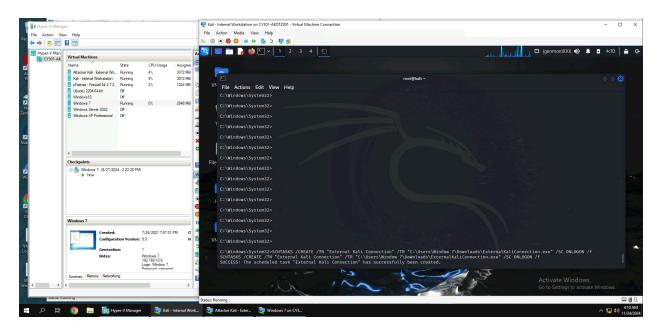


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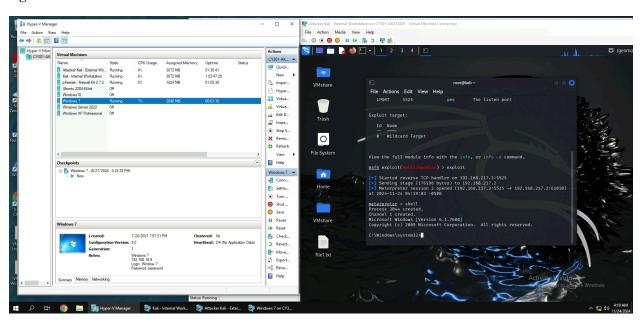


Figure 4

Figure 1 shows that all needed VMs are running, and that metasploit is installed on the Internal Kali VM. Additionally, it shows that I used the payload method to create a reverse shell connection to the Windows 7 VM, this is because the nmap scan did not result in any vulnerabilities being detected on Windows 7 device. Figure 2 shows the creation of the External Kali Connection payload, as well as it being uploaded to the Windows 7 VM. Figure 3 shows a successful scheduled task on Windows via reverse shell connection, which in turn should activate upon every log in to the Windows 7 VM. Figure 4 shows a successful logon initiated payload by a successful reverse shell connection from the External Kali VM to the Windows 7 VM.

Your lab report MUST satisfy the following Requirements. Otherwise, you will lose points.

- R1 Include a cover page with your UIN and name.
- R2 Align your screenshot(s) with the task ID and description.
- R3 Use "Snipping tool" or other tools, such as "Snippets", to take screenshot. MacOS user can follow this <u>post</u> to take screenshots.
- R4 Include the running VMs (1), system timestamp (2) and session information (3) in every single screenshot.
- R5 Explain your step(s).