

# VMware: Advanced Security

## **Course Introduction**

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## **Chapter 01 - Primer and Reaffirming Our Knowledge**

2h 38m

### **Primer and Reaffirming Our Knowledge**

ESX Networking Components  
How Virtual Ethernet Adapters Work  
How Virtual Switches Work  
VMsafe Overview  
Current VMsafe Partners  
Virtual Switch vs. Physical Switch  
Spanning Tree Protocol Not Needed  
Virtual Ports  
Uplink Ports  
Port Groups  
Uplinks  
Virtual Switch Correctness  
VLANs in VMWare Infrastructure  
NIC Teaming  
Load Balancing  
Failover Configurations  
Normal Operation  
Connection Fails  
Signaling Process - Beaconing  
Data Rerouted  
Layer 2 Security Features  
Forged Transmits  
Managing the Virtual Network  
Symmetric vs. Asymmetric Encryption  
Demo - Security in vSwitches  
Hashes  
Demo - Hashes  
Digital Signatures  
Breaking SSL Traffic  
Demo - Lab Environment  
Demo - ARP Cache Poison  
File System Structure  
Kernel  
Processes  
Starting and Stopping Processes  
Interacting with Processes  
Accounts and Groups  
Password & Shadow File Formats  
Accounts and Groups (cont.)  
Linux and UNIX Permissions  
Demo - Intro to Linux  
Set UID Programs  
Logs and Auditing  
Chapter 01 Review

## **Chapter 02 - Routing and the Security Design of VMware**

1h 21m

### **Routing and the Security Design of VMware**

Security of Routing Data  
How Traffic Routes Between VMs on ESX Hosts  
Different vSwitches, Same Port Group and VLAN  
Same vSwitch, Different Port Group and VLAN  
Same vSwitch, Same Port Group and VLAN  
Security Design of the VMware Infrastructure Architecture  
VMware Infrastructure Architecture and Security Features  
Virtualization Layer  
CPU Virtualization  
Memory Virtualization  
Cloud Burst  
Virtual Machines  
Service Console  
Virtual Networking Layer  
Virtual Switches  
Virtual Switch VLANs  
Demo - Using VLAN's  
Major Benefits of Using VLANs  
Standard VLAN Tagging  
Virtual Ports  
Virtual Network Adapters  
Virtualized Storage  
VMware VirtualCenter  
Chapter 02 Review

## **Chapter 03 - Remote DataStore Security**

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### **Remote DataStore Security**

ESX / ESXi and Fibre Channel SAN Environment and Addressing  
Mask and Zone SAN Resources Appropriately  
LUN Masking and Zoning  
Fiber Channel  
DH-CHAP  
Switch Link  
What is FC-SP (Fiber Channel - Security Protocol)?  
ESP Over Fiber Channel  
Fiber Channel Attacks - The Basics  
Steps in Securing Fiber Channel  
iSCSI vs. Fiber Channel  
ESX / ESXi and iSCSI SAN Environment and Addressing  
Hardware vs. Software Initiators  
iSCSI Security Features  
Secure iSCSI Devices Through Authentication  
Demo - Storage Security Settings  
IPSec  
IPSec Implementation  
Steps in Securing iSCSI  
Chapter 03 Review

## **Chapter 04 - Penetration Testing 101**

1h 16m

### **Penetration Testing 101**

What is a Penetration Test  
Benefits of a Penetration Test  
What Does a Hack Cost You?  
Cost of a Hack - Example  
Current Issues  
Chained Exploit Example  
Demo - Gonzalez Indictment  
The Evolving Threat  
Methodology for Penetration Testing / Ethical Hacking  
Penetration Testing Methodologies  
Types of Tests  
Website Review  
Demo - Website Review  
Seven Management Errors  
Some VMware Issues  
Not Just About the Tools  
Chapter 04 Review

## **Chapter 05 - Information Gathering, Scanning and Enumeration**

1h 47m

### **Information Gathering, Scanning and Enumeration**

What is the Hacker Wanting to Know?  
Methods of Obtaining Information  
Footprinting  
Maltego  
Maltego GUI  
Demo - Maltego  
Firecat v1.6.2  
Demo - Firecat  
FireFox Fully Loaded  
Johnny.lhackstuff.com hackersforcharity.org  
Google and Query Operators  
Google  
Shodan - You Have to be Kidding Me!  
Demo - Shodan  
Introduction to Port Scanning  
Popular Port Scanning Tools  
ICMP Disabled  
NMAP TCP Connect Scan  
TCP Connect Port Scan  
Nmap  
Half-open Scan  
Firewalled Ports  
NMAP and Your VMware Servers  
Additional NMAP Scans  
NMAP UDP Scans  
Demo - NMAP  
UDP Port Scan  
Enumeration Overview  
Banner Grabbing  
Banner Grabbing with Telnet  
SuperScan 4 Tool: Banner Grabbing  
DNS Enumeration  
Zone Transfers  
Backtrack DNS Enumeration

Active Directory Enumeration  
LDAPMiner  
Null Sessions  
Syntax for a Null Session  
Viewing Shares  
Enumeration with Cain and Abel  
NAT Dictionary Attack Tool  
THC-Hydra  
Injecting Abel Service  
Demo - Cain  
Chapter 05 Review

## **Chapter 06 - Penetration Testing and the Tools of the Trade**

1h 29m

### **Penetration Testing and the Tools of the Trade**

Vulnerabilities in Network Services  
BackTrack4  
Vulnerability Scanners  
Nessus  
Nessus Report  
Saint  
SAINT - Sample Report  
OpenVAS  
OpenVAS Infrastructure  
OpenVAS Client  
Demo - OpenVAS  
Windows Password Cracking  
Syskey Encryption  
Cracking Techniques  
Rainbow Tables  
Disabling Auditing  
Clearing the Event log  
NTFS Alternate Data Stream  
Stream Explorer  
Encrypted Tunnels  
Port Monitoring Software  
RootKit  
The Metasploit Project  
Defense in Depth  
Meterpreter  
VASTO  
VASTO Modules  
Fuzzers  
SaintExploit at a Glance  
Core Impact Overview  
Core Impact  
Total Exploits from NVD Included in the Penetration Testing Tool  
Wireshark  
TCP Stream Re-assembling  
ARP Cache Poisoning  
ARP Cache Poisoning (Linux)  
Cain and Abel  
Ettercap  
Chapter 06 Review

## **Chapter 07 - DMZ Virtualization and Common Attack Vectors**

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### **DMZ Virtualization and Common Attack Vectors**

- DMZ Virtualization with VMware Infrastructure
- Virtualized DMZ Networks
- Three Typical Virtualized DMZ Configurations
- Partially Collapsed DMZ with Separate Physical Trust Zones
- Partially Collapsed DMZ with Virtual Separation of Trust Zones
- Fully Collapsed
- Best Practices for Achieving a Secure Virtualized DMZ Deployment
- Harden and Isolate the Service Console
- Clearly Label Networks for Each Zone within the DMZ
- Set Layer 2 Security Options on Virtual Switches
- Enforce Separation of Duties
- Use ESX Resource Management Capabilities
- Regularly Audit Virtualized DMZ Configuration
- Common Attack Vectors
- How We Understand Fake Certificate Injection to Work
- Generic TLS Renegotiation Prefix Injection Vulnerability
- Testing for a Renegotiation Vulnerability
- Vulnerability Requirements
- Generic Example
- Patched Server with Disabled Renegotiation
- Demo - SSL Renegotiation Test
- Schmoo Con 2010: Virtualization Vulnerabilities Found!
- Schmoo Con 2010: Timeline
- Schmoo Con 2010: Identification
- Schmoo Con 2010: Server Log In
- Schmoo Con 2010: Server on the Internet
- Schmoo Con 2010: Vulnerability
- Schmoo Con 2010: Redirection Proxy
- Schmoo Con 2010: Vulnerable Versions
- Schmoo Con 2010: Gueststealer
- Chapter 07 Review

## **Chapter 08 - Hardening Your ESX Server**

3h 2m

### **Hardening Your ESX Server**

- Section 1 - Virtual Machines
- Secure Virtual Machines as You Would Secure Physical Machines
- Disable Unnecessary or Superfluous Functions
- Take Advantage of Templates
- Prevent Virtual Machines from Taking Over Resources
- Isolate Virtual Machine Networks
- Example Network Architecture
- Arp Cache Poisoning
- VM Segmentation
- Minimize Use of the vSphere Console
- Virtual Machine Files and Settings
- Disable Copy and Paste Operations
- Limit Data Flow from the Virtual Machine to the Datastore
- SetInfo Hazard
- Do Not Use Nonpersistent Disks
- Ensure Unauthorized Devices are Not Connected
- Prevent Unauthorized Removal or Connection of Devices
- Avoid Denial of Service Caused by Virtual Disk Modification Operations
- Specify the Guest Operating System Correctly

Verify Proper File Permissions for Virtual Machine Files  
Demo - Security on your Virtual Machines  
Section 2 - Configuring the ESX/ESXi Host  
Configuring the Service Console in ESX  
Demo - Control VIC Access  
Demo - Service Console Administration  
Configure the Firewall for Maximum Security  
Demo - Firewall Configuration  
Limit the Software and Services Running in the Service Console  
Processes Running in SC  
Use vSphere Client and vCenter to Administer the Hosts Instead of Service Console  
Use a Directory Service for Authentication  
Demo - AD Integration  
Strictly Control Root Privileges  
Control Access to Privileged Capabilities  
Demo - SSH Access and SUDO  
Establish a Password Policy for Local User Accounts  
ESX/Linux User Authentication  
Configuring ESX Authentication  
ESX Authentication Settings  
Reusing Passwords  
Configuring Password Complexity  
Do Not Manage the Service Console as a Linux Host  
Maintain Proper Logging  
ESX4 Log File Locations  
Maintain Proper Logging (cont.)  
ESX Log Files  
Establish and Maintain File System Integrity  
Secure the SNMP Configuration  
Protect Against the Root File System Filling Up  
Disable Automatic Mounting of USB Devices  
Isolate the Infrastructure-related Networks  
VLAN1  
Configure Encryption for Communication Between Clients and ESX/ESXi  
Label Virtual Networks Clearly  
Do Not Create a Default Port Group  
Do Not Use Promiscuous Mode on Network Interfaces  
Protect Against MAC Address Spoofing  
Secure the ESX/ESXi Host Console  
Chapter 08 Review

## **Chapter 09 - Hardening Your ESXi Server**

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### **Hardening Your ESXi Server**

Differences: VMware ESX vs. ESXi  
Differences: VMware ESX and ESXi  
Configuring Host-level Management in ESXi  
ESXi -Strictly Control Root Privileges  
Control Access to Privileged Capabilities ESXi  
DCUI  
Control Access to Privileged Capabilities ESXi (cont.)  
Maintain Proper Logging - ESXi  
Establish and Maintain Configuration File Integrity ESXi  
Ensure Secure Access to CIM  
Audit or Disable Technical Support Mode  
Chapter 09 Review

## **Chapter 10 - Hardening Your vCenter Server**

1h 28m

### **Hardening Your vCenter Server**

VirtualCenter

Set Up the Windows Host for Virtual Center with Proper Security

Limit Network Connectivity to Virtual Center

Use Proper Security Measures When Configuring the Database for Virtual Center

Enable Full and Secure Use of Certificate-based Encryption

Default Certificates

Replacing Server-Certificates

vCenter Log Files and Rotation

Collecting vCenter Log Files

Use VirtualCenter Custom Roles

Document and Monitor Changes to the Configuration

VirtualCenter Add-on Components

VMware Update Manager

VMware Converter Enterprise

VMware Guided Consolidation

General Considerations

Client Components

Verify the Integrity of VI Client

Monitor the Usage of VI Client Instances

Avoid the Use of Plain-Text Passwords

vShield Zones Overview

vShield VM Wall Features

vShield VM Flow Features

Demo - vShield Zones

Chapter 10 Review

## **Chapter 11 - 3rd Party Mitigation Tools**

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### **3rd Party Mitigation Tools**

Virtualization: Greater Flexibility, Diminished Control

Making Sense of the Virtualization Security Players

1K View of Players

In-depth Look - Authors Picks HyTrust Appliance

HyTrust Appliance - Key Capabilities (cont.): Unified Access Control

HyTrust Appliance - Key Capabilities (cont.): Policy Management

HyTrust Appliance - Key Capabilities (cont.): Audit-quality Logging

HyTrust Appliance - Key Capabilities (cont.): Hypervisor Hardening

In-depth Look - Authors Picks Catbird

Catbird - Policy-driven Security

Catbird - Continuous Compliance

What's Missing?

Making Sense of It All

Chapter 11 Review

Course Closure

**Total Duration: 15hrs 22m**