

# Vulnerable Machines with Ansible

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# whoami

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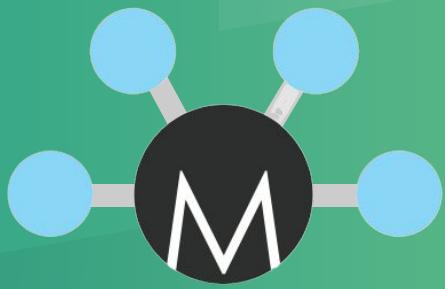
Automation  
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Tooling



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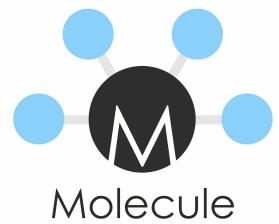
# Why Vulnerable Machines?

- King of the Hill
- Practice
  - Red team - scan and exploit
  - Blue team - audit configs
- Testing tools
  - Vulnerability scanner



ANSIBLE

# 1. Molecule Manager



# Molecule

- Manage execution and testing of roles
- Write best roles possible



## ***ANSIBLE + MOLECULE TEST SEQUENCE***

**RUN LINTERS**

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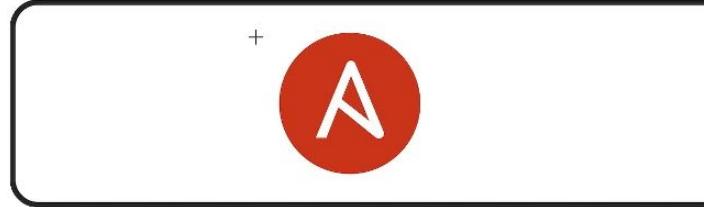
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***CREATE  
INSTANCES***



***EXECUTE  
PLAYBOOK***



***TEST  
INSTANCES***



[Rapidly Build & Test Ansible Roles with Molecule + Docker](#)

## 2. Vagrant

Virtual machine creation



# Vagrant

- Infrastructure as code
- Automated virtual machines

```
Vagrant.configure(2) do |config|
  config.vm.box = "ubuntu/xenial64"
  config.vm.network "forwarded_port", guest: 80, host: 8080
end
```

# Vagrant

```
● ● ●  
$ vagrant init hashicorp/precise64  
  
$ vagrant up  
Bringing machine 'default' up with 'virtualbox' provider.  
==> default: Importing base box 'hashicorp/precise64'...  
==> default: Forwarding ports...  
default: 22 (guest) => 2222 (host) (adapter 1)  
==> default: Waiting for machine to boot...  
  
$ vagrant ssh  
vagrant@precise64:~$ _
```

# 3. Ansible

Vulnerability automation



ANSIBLE

# Ansible

- Automate configuration of software
- Manage fleet of servers from your laptop

# Ansible Roles

- Single role for each service
  - HTTP
  - SQL
- Cron
  - Random Shells
  - New Users

**PHP Web Shell**

**Random Bind Shells**

**Anonymous FTP**

**Shellshock**

**Open SMB Shares**

**SMTP Backdoor**

**Random Users**

**Trickshot**

**Apache Tomcat**

**Telnet**

**Unauthenticated SSH**

# Ansible Playbooks

- Combine roles to create a useful configuration

# Ansible Playbooks

- ❑ Create cron job to open shells on random ports
- ❑ Install telnet
- ❑ Edit PAM module to disable SSH authentication. Allow everyone in.

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```
- hosts: vulnerable
  tasks:
    - name: Constant random shells
      include_role:
        name: common/cron
      vars:
        - do_random_shells: true

    - name: Install telnet
      include_role:
        name: service/telnet

    - name: Make ssh vulnerable
      include_role:
        name: service/ssh
      vars:
        - do_insecure_login: true
```

# Demo



# Thanks!

<https://github.com/becksteadn/Bytes-Of-Swiss/>