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Oracle Security

The Right Approach (IMHO) – Part 2

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Why Am I Qualified To Speak

- PeteFinnigan.com Ltd, Est 2003.
- <http://www.petefinnigan.com>
- First “Oracle security” blog.
- Specialists in researching and securing Oracle databases providing consultancy and training Database scanner software authors and vendors.
- Author of Oracle security step-by-step book; co-author of Expert Oracle practices, author of HSM/TDE Book to be published soon.
- Published many papers, regular speaker (UK, USA, Slovenia, Norway, Iceland, Finland and more).
- Member of the Oak Table Network.



Agenda - Reminder

- Two Parts to this presentation
- Background “glue”
- The correct approach (IMHO) – The message
- Exploit + reaction (a number of levels)
 - downloadable, easy
 - Realistic theft
 - Sophisticated attack
 - Data analysis
 - User Analysis
- Conclusions

Reaction From Part 1 Demo

- Access is available to the database
- Credentials are guessable
- Default accounts have access to critical data – Actually all accounts do!!
- Critical data is easy to find
- Poor, weak encryption and protection used
- This is reality, this is what Oracle database security REALLY looks like!!

Some Issues?

- OK, easy and realistic
- There are still issues, for someone to steal they still need Oracle knowledge and business knowledge
- The issue is that because “WE” (the Oracle customers) do not fix databases we make it easy to steal – the target audience for these “ADVANTAGES” is likely employees – DBA, Power users, Dev....

Data Theft

- Data theft is more likely possible due to:
 - Application abuse
 - Data not in the database
 - Data given to users
 - More....
- Oracle will not fix these issues for you, they are your responsibility!

The Defenders View

- Did our realistic attack leave evidence
- Does the DBA review these evidences?
- Audit trail
- Listener log
- redo
- More...

Live Demo 3

What if the Hacker Was Clever

- If he was clever he may take a number of different approaches
 - Stealth
 - in finding an account
 - Escalate first
 - Check identity
 - Steal the data from somewhere else

A Stealth Attack

Live Demo 4

Some Thoughts

- A data security solution must be comprehensive
- All copies of the data must be located and protected to the same level
- Theft will always occur taking the easiest approach!

The True Access To The Data

Live Demo 5

Analysing Data

- We should now be ready for “***layers***” and “***hierarchy***” being evident in this investigation
- Data is never where you think it is.
- Unless you really know where it is you cannot secure it
- Understand the access models and who can access the data

The Access Issue

- This is the number 1 Oracle security issue for me
- A database can only be accessed if you have three pieces of information
 - The IP Address or hostname
 - The Service name / SID of the database
 - A valid username / password
- A database can only be accessed at the TNS level if there is a direct route from the user (authorised or not) and the database

11gR1 has broken this with the default sid/service name feature

Access Issue 2

- At lots of sites we audit we see:
 - Tnsnames.ora deployed to all servers and desktops
 - Tnsnames.ora with details of every database
 - access to servers is open (no IP blocking)
 - Guessable SID/Service name
 - Weak passwords
- **Do not do any of these at your sites!**

The Core Problems

- Incorrect versions and products installed
- Unnecessary functions and features installed
- Excessive users / schemas installed
- Elevated privileges for most database accounts
- Default and insecure configurations
- Lack of audit trails in the database
- Data often held outside the database
- Evidence of ad-hoc maintenance

Configuration And Defaults

- Default database installations cause some weak configurations
- Review all
 - configuration parameters – checklists?
 - File permissions
- Some examples
 - No audit configuration by default (fixed in 10gR2 for new installs)
 - No password management (fixed in 10gR2 new installs)
- In your own applications and support accounts
 - Do not use default accounts
 - Do not use default roles including DBA
 - Do not use default passwords

Background Information

- Basic information must be to hand for familiarisation rather than actual use
- Vulnerabilities and exploits:
 - SecurityFocus – www.securityfocus.com
 - Milw0rm – www.milw0rm.com
 - PacketStorm – www.packetstorm.org
 - FrSirt – www.frsirt.com
 - NIST – <http://nvd.nist.gov>
 - CERT – www.kb.cert.org/vulns

Background Information 2

- Some background information we do use!
- There are a few standalone tools available
- I would start with manual queries and toolkit of simple scripts such as:
 - www.petefinnigan.com/find_all_privs.sql
 - www.petefinnigan.com/who_has_priv.sql
 - www.petefinnigan.com/who_can_access.sql
 - www.petefinnigan.com/who_has_role.sql
 - www.petefinnigan.com/check_parameter.sql
- Hand code simple queries as well

Background Information 3

- There are a number of good checklists to define what to check:
- CIS Benchmark - http://www.cisecurity.org/bench_oracle.html
- SANS S.C.O.R.E - <http://www.sans.org/score/oraclechecklist.php>
- Oracle's own checklist - http://www.oracle.com/technology/deploy/security/pdf/twp_security_checklist_db_database_20071108.pdf
- DoD STIG - <http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/stig/database-stig-v8r1.zip>
- Oracle Database security, audit and control features – ISBN 1-893209-58-X

Analysis Of Users

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C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe - sqlplus system/oracle1@orcl
SQL> set serveroutput on size 1000000
SQL> @use
Typ USER          Rol Sys  Oh  Tab  PL  Status
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ADM SYS            49  200 14  870 1328 OPEN
ADM SYSTEM        4   5   46  153  4   OPEN
DEF OUTLN         1   3   1   3    1   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF DIP           0   1   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF TSMSYS        1   1   0   1    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF ORACLE_OC     0   1   2   0    6   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF DBSNMP        1   4   2   20   7   OPEN
DEF WMSYS         3   28  12  42   52  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF EXFSYS        1   9   7   47   71  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF GTXSYS        2   7   52  43  133  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF XDB           3   10  13  23   68  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF ANONYMOUS     0   1   12  0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF ORDSYS        1   13  14  68   87  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF ORDPLUGIN     0   10  2   0    10  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF SI_INFORM     0   1   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF MDSYS         2   18  30  100  239  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF OLAPSYS       2   13  41  126  89   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF MDDATA        2   1   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF SPATIAL_W     3   8   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF SPATIAL_C     3   8   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF WKSYS         7   59  32  56   50  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF WKPROXY       0   3   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF WK_TEST       2   0   0   13   0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
ADM SYSMAN       2   7   19  681  387  EXPIRED
DEF MGMT_VIEW     1   0   4   0    0   OPEN
APX FLOWS_FIL      0   0   6   1    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
APX APEX_PUBL     0   1  11  0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
APX FLOWS_030     3   20  90  212  371  EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF OWBSYS        10  23  43  0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
SAM SCOTT         2   1   0   4    0   OPEN
DEF HR            1   7   1   7    2   OPEN
DEF OE            2   7   14  10   1   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF IX            5   17  11  15   0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF SH            0   0   3   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF PM            2   1  10  2    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
DEF BI            0   0   8   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
--- ORABLOG       2   1   1  11  18  OPEN
--- ORASCAN       0   3   0   0    0   OPEN
--- AA            2   1   0   0    0   OPEN
--- BB            1   0   0   0    0   OPEN
--- IMPORTER      1   0   0   0    0   OPEN
DEF X$$NULL      0   0   0   0    0   EXPIRED & LOCKE
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Typ USER          Rol Sys  Oh  Tab  PL  Status
-----
PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
SQL>

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Analyse users into 2 groups

Seek to reduce the accounts (features) installed as default schemas – i.e. OEM, Intelligent agent, DIP, Samples

Analyse accounts created by “you”. Assess these in terms of what should exist

Analysing Users

Live Demo 6

Analysing Users

- Users (or rather accounts that exist in the database) provide fixed access paths to the data.
- You must understand how these accounts can access data, percentages of data, how, when
- Finally which “real people” use these accounts, share accounts....

Layers, Hierarchy, Complexity

- Each of the three examples has
 - Layers of complexity
 - Multiple requirements for one area - Users
 - Multiple paths to data
 - Multiple copies of data
 - Multiple pieces of the puzzle involved with operating system objects
 - Multiple paths to the operating system
- See the pattern now?

Conclusions

- There are a few important lessons we must learn to secure data held in an Oracle database
 - We must secure the “**data**” not the software (quite obviously we **MUST** secure the software to achieve “**data**” security)
 - We must start with the “**data**” not the software
 - We must understand who/how/why/when “**data**” could be stolen
- Oracle security is complex though because we must consider “**where**” the “**data**” is and “**who**” can access it and “**how**”
- Often there are “**layers**” and “**duplication**”
- Careful detailed work is often needed


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create or replace function log_start(fv_path  
return utl_file.file_type is  
  lv_fptr utl_file.file_type:=null;  
  lv_module varchar2(100):='log_start';  
begin  
  dbms_output.disable;
```

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Any Questions?

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