

Nullcon HackIM - Misc1 (100 points)

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Steps I used to solve the problem:

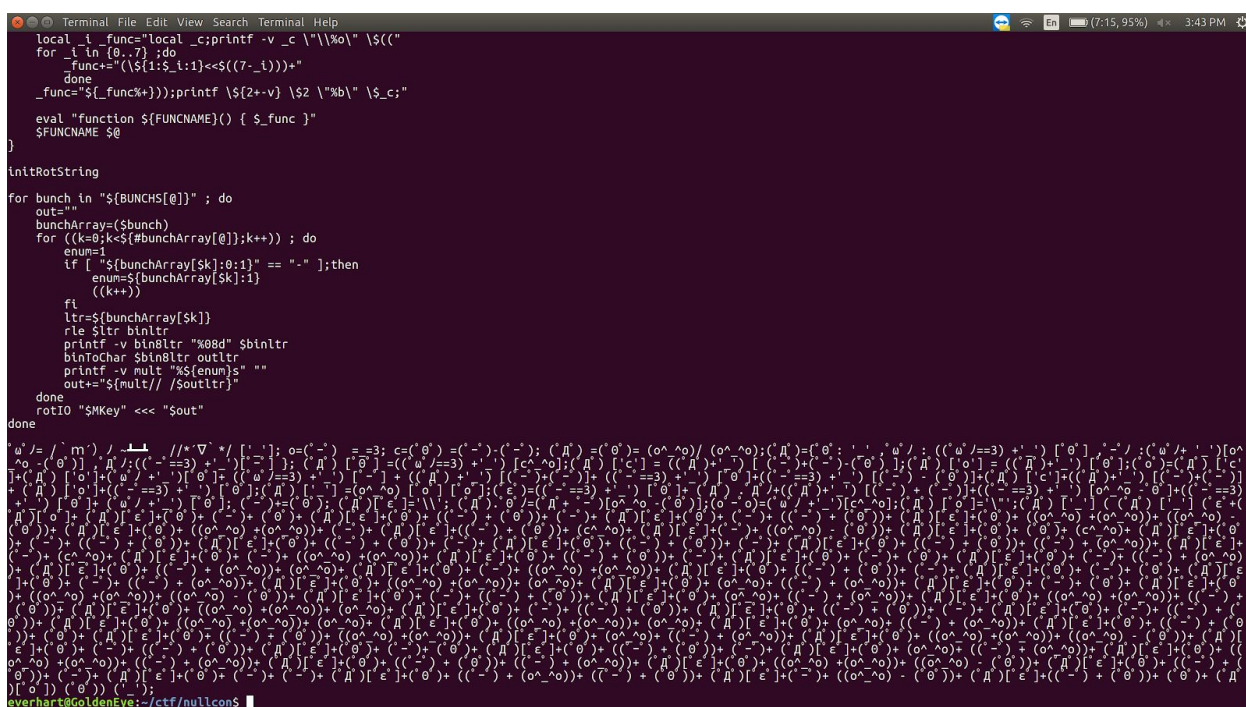
1. Challenge type?
Miscellaneous, that's no help.
2. Description? "You are given some old and new programs to try. The plain-text key is hidden inside these programs."

Ok, maybe I need to run the programs or the flag is encoded inside of the code for these programs.

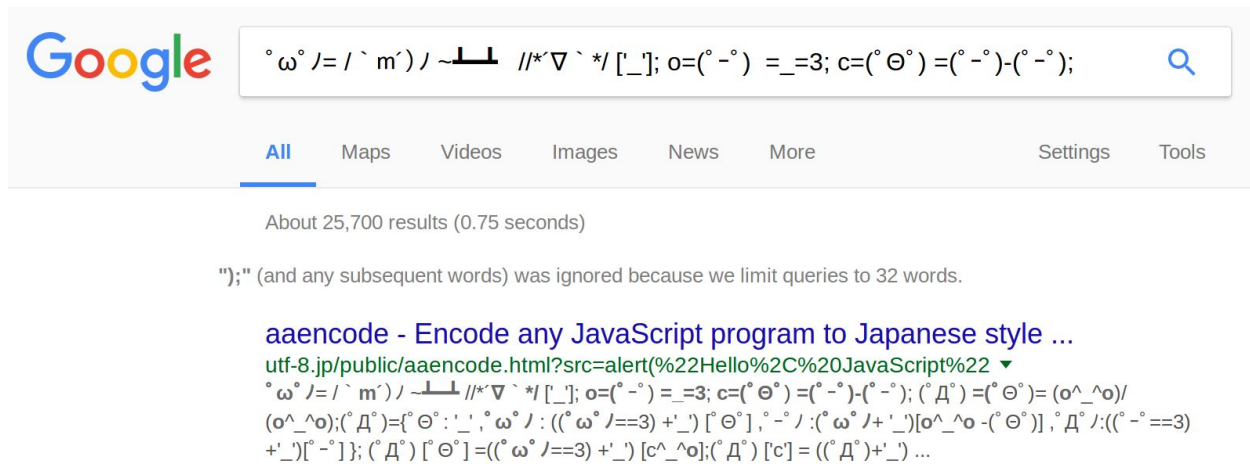
- ### 3. Provided files? Tryme.txt

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everhart@GoldenEye:~/ctf/nullcon$ file tryme.txt
tryme.txt: data
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- #### 4. cat tryme.txt



- 5.** The end of the cat output looks like an encoding. Let's see if google knows what kind of encoding it is.



- 6. Use an aaencode online decoder.**

aadecode - Decode encoded-as-aencode JavaScript program. ['_']

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aadecode - Decode encoded-as-*aaencode* JavaScript program. (° ¤) ['_']

Enter encoded code:

[illegible]

aadecode

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alert("Hello flag{flags are useless in real world}")
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Success! Found the flag: **flag{flags_are_useless_in_real_world}**